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CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH



BE FAITHFUL RECEIVE CROWN OF LIFE

NOV 8, 2026 SUNDAY 9:00 AM

PASTOR: MARK HOFFMANN

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS (Recognition of veteran's and military)

PROCESSIONAL HYMN *God Himself Is Present*
maroon hymnal page 907 verses 1-3

THE INVOCATION
L: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,
C: Amen.

THE CONFESSION OF SINS
L**:** Our help is in the name of the Lord.
C: Who made heaven and earth.
L: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

(Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination)

L Loving heavenly Father,

C: We confess to you that we are sinners and are in need of your forgiveness. So often our actions don't reflect our intentions. We hurt others by what we say and do and we fail to follow through on promises we make to those around us. We humbly seek Your mercy, and for the sake of Jesus Christ we ask for Your forgiveness. Amen.

THE ABSOLUTION
L**:** In the mercy of Almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for His sake God forgives us all our sins. To those who believe in Jesus Christ He gives the power to become the children of God and bestows on them the Holy Spirit. May the Lord, who has begun this good work in us, bring it to completion in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.
C: Amen.

HYMN OF PRAISE (please be seated) *This is the Feast* maroon hymnal page 155

THE KYRIE

L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace from above and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L**:** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For this holy house and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, Gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

THE GREETING

L: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY (pray together) **Gracious loving Father, You told the believers in Smyrna not to fear what they were about to suffer. When anxiety and fear grips our minds, remind me to look to Jesus who is the First and the Last, the One who died and came to life again. Thank You that You understand every affliction, hardship, and heavy burden I carry. When trials come my way and fear tries to creep in, remind me that You are sovereign over my life. Strengthen my inner being to stand firm through every test, and help me to trust Your presence in the middle of the fire. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen.**

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 34:1-8

L I will extol the LORD at all times; his praise will always be on my lips.

C **I will glory in the LORD; let the afflicted hear and rejoice.**

L Glorify the LORD with me; let us exalt his name together.

C **I sought the LORD, and he answered me; he delivered me from all my fears.**

L Those who look to him are radiant. Their faces are never covered with shame.

C **This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.**

L The angel of the LORD encamps around those who fear him,
and he delivers them.

C **Taste and see that the LORD is good; blessed is the one who takes refuge in him.**

ALL: Praise be to God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit. Amen.

OLD TESTAMENT READING Isaiah 44:6-8

This is what the LORD says— Israel's King and Redeemer, the LORD Almighty: I am the first and I am the last; apart from me there is no God. Who then is like me? Let him proclaim it. Let him declare and lay out before me what has happened since I established my ancient people, and what is yet to come—yes, let them foretell what will come. Do not tremble, do not be afraid. Did I not proclaim this and foretell it long ago?
You are my witnesses. Is there any God besides me? No, there is no other Rock; I know not one."

L: This is the Word of the Lord!
C: Thanks be to God!

EPISTLE READING: Revelation 2:8-10

To the angel of the church in Smyrna write: These are the words of him who is the First and the Last, who died and came to life again. **9** I know your afflictions and your poverty—yet you are rich! I know about the slander of those who say they are Jews and are not, but are a synagogue of Satan. **10**

Do not be afraid of what you are about to suffer. I tell you, the devil will put some of you in prison to test you, and you will suffer persecution for ten days. Be faithful, even to the point of death, and I will give you life as your victor's crown.

L: This is the Word of the Lord!
C: Thanks be to God!

CHILDREN'S TALK (children are invited to the front of the church)

GOSPEL READING Matthew 10:22, 28-31

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the 10th chapter.

C: Praise be to You, O God

You will be hated by everyone because of me, but the one who stands firm to the end will be saved. Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul. Rather, be afraid of the One who can destroy both soul and body in hell. **29** Are not two sparrows sold for a penny? Yet not one of them will fall to the ground outside your Father's care. And even the very hairs of your head are all numbered. **31** So don't be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows.

L: This is the Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to You, O Christ!

The Apostle's Creed (spoken together)
**I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth,
And 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; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sits at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from thence 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.

HYMN OF THE DAY *When Peace, like a River*
maroon hymnal page 763 verses 1-4

MESSAGE: *To the Church at Smyrna and to us—Be faithful Unto Death!*

Gathering of offerings and tithes and gifts of love.

OFFERING HYMN *We Give Thee But Thine Own*
Maroon hymnal page 781 verses 1-6

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH
L: Lord in Your Mercy.
C: Hear our Prayer.

THE LORD'S PRAYER (please rise)
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.

THE PREFACE
L: The Lord be with you.
C: And also with you.
L: Lift up your hearts.
C: We lift them up to the Lord.
L: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
C:It is right to give Him thanks and praise.
L: It is truly good right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you Holy Father Almighty God through Jesus Christ our Lord; who suffered, died and rose again, giving us forgiveness of our sins and reconciling us back to a right relationship with You Father. Therefore, with angels and arc angels and all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name evermore praising You and singing:

SANCTUS (sung)
"Holy, Holy, Holy"
Maroon Hymnal p. 161
C: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of power and might: Heaven

and earth are full of Your glory. Hosanna, Hosanna, Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUTION
L: The Peace of the Lord be with you always.
C: And also with you. (please be seated)

DISTRIBUTION OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

WORSHIP DURING COMMUNION
Chief of Sinners Though I Be maroon hymnal page 611 verses 1-5
The Church's One Foundation maroon hymnal page 644 verses 1-5
I Am Trusting Thee, Lord Jesus maroon hymnal page 729 verses 1-6

POST COMMUNION COLLECT (please rise)

L: Let us sing the song of Simeon. (Maroon hymnal page 199)

Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace according to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation, which Thou hast prepared before the face of all people, a light to lighten the Gentiles and the glory of Thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost, as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

BENEDICTION
L: 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.**

SENDING HYMN *Abide, O Dearest Jesus*
maroon hymnal page 919 verses 1-6

THE SENDING
L: Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God!

Immediately After Worship join us in the Fellowship Hall for some refreshment and then a Bible study which concludes at 11:00 am. Sunday School for children is held in the rear of the church building and goes from approx 10:15-11:00. The adult Bible study is on the book of Revelation

Lord's Supper; we celebrate Holy Communion each Sunday. If your beliefs are similar to the statement below concerning the Lord's Supper, please know you are welcome to commune with us.
The Lord's Supper, or Communion, is a Biblical event, given by Jesus for the strengthening of our faith and the forgiveness of our sins (Matthew 26). We invite all baptized Christians, who believe in Jesus Christ as their savior, desire forgiveness of their sins, and believe that the body and blood are truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine to receive the Lord's Supper with us. If you are unsure of what you believe, or have questions, please speak to the Pastor.
Children who have not gone through instruction or confirmation may come forward to receive a blessing. Please cross your arms so the server knows that you are not communing.
Grape juice is available in the center cups and is clear in color. Gluten free wafers are available;

Last week we were blessed with approximately 60 people in worship.

Services Online: You can view this week's service on Christ Lutheran's Facebook page or view this week and past week's services on our web page at **ChristLutheranCoolidge.com** it is under the services tab. You can also give on line, simply click on the online giving on the web site

Each first and third Sat of the month from 9-10 am will be a Bible study. We meet in the fellowship hall, join us Sat Nov 21

Ladies Bible study will be the third Wed (Nov 18) of each month at 1:30, and each 3rd Wed of the month following. All ladies are invited to the Bible study, then you are welcome to stay after that for a brief LWML meeting.

In your prayers this week please pray for: Tobi, Deb, Samuel, Gary
Thank God for sending Jesus who died and rose again for our forgiveness and salvation. The men and women in uniform including our military, law enforcement officers and all first responders who serve in our communities. The Christian church, its leaders and pastors, including our District and

Synodical presidents, Mike and Matthew. Pray for safe keeping for all those who are traveling.

Thank you for joining us in worship this morning! Bring a friend next week!

First time guests: Please sign the guest register at the rear of the church. Join us again next Sunday for worship. If you have any questions about Christ Lutheran, speak with any of the wonderful people sitting around you! You are always welcome—this is your Father's House! You are always welcome to join Christ Lutheran church. Please consult Pastor Mark if you wish to become a member or associate member…..

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