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We are glad that you have joined us for worship.

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As we celebrate Holy Communion, let's rejoice in the various types of unity that we enjoy in this sacrament.



- ♦ According to Christ's own promise we receive his true body and blood along with the bread and wine for the forgiveness of all our sins (Matthew 26:26-28). We are united with him in the Lord's Supper.
- ♦ This meal not only unites believers with the Lord but also with one another (1 Corinthians 10:16-17). Holy Communion declares that unity.
- When Christians commune together they are jointly proclaiming the gospel of Jesus (1 Corinthians 11:26).

What wonderful unity we find in the Lord's Supper. How we want to treasure and foster this unity. On the night on which Jesus gave us this meal he prayed that all his followers would come to complete agreement with one another on the basis of God's Word (John 17:11,17).

Out of love for the Lord and love for one another, we want what our Savior wants for us—genuine unqualified unity. For this reason we respectfully ask that only those who have expressed their full agreement with the teachings of our national church body (the Wisconsin Synod) or the Evangelical Lutheran Synod come forward to receive the sacrament.

We eagerly desire everyone to share in this divine meal with us. Please speak to the pastor about how we can work together to establish this blessed fellowship.

THE ORDER OF WORSHIP

WORSHIP THEME:
The King Shall Come to Save Us

ADVENT RITE

INVOCATION

CONFESSION OF SINS & ANNOUNCEMENT OF FORGIVENESS

PRAYER OF THE DAY

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Mark 11:1-10

READING RESPONSE: Shout to the Lord

SECOND LESSON: 1 Corinthians 1:3-9

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SERMON HYMN: # 301 Savior of the Nations, Come (vs.1-5)

SERMON TEXT: Isaiah 64:1-9 (EHV)

THEME: Our King Has Come Down to Save Us From Our Sins

OFFERING/OFFERTORY SONG & PRAYER

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER (all pray)

THE SACRAMENT

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD

<u>DISTRIBUTION</u>: Please Note: The center cups of the individual trays contain white grape juice. Gluten-free wafers are labeled on a separate center of the tray.

PRAYER

BLESSING

CLOSING HYMN: #312 Comfort, Comfort All My People (vs.1-4)



CONNECTION CARD ON OUR APP



Please take a moment and fill out the info on the connection card, located under the Worship Today button on our app or on our website. There is a tablet in entryway or QR Code on the left if you prefer to use that. Please fill out any information and submit.

THE OFFERING

Dear guests, we're glad you're here to listen to the message about Jesus.

If members or guests would like to give an offering electronically, they can do so by using the QR Code on the right or download our App, which is available at any app store. Those that give digitally can place the "Give" cards in the plate during the offering.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>SUNDAY BIBLE STUDY</u>: **Resilient in our Redeemer -** From our time-bound perspective life throws many unexpected challenges at us that at times can threaten to overwhelm us --loss, loneliness, suffering, hostility, etc., but we know that none of these are accidental or purposeless nor will our God allow them to overthrow our faith. Instead, his desire is to grow our trust in him and strengthen our faith so that through these trials we will be made all the more resilient in him.

<u>THURSDAY BIBLE STUDY 7:00 PM</u>: *Key Words & Symbols* Helping you make sense of the pictures used in Scripture. This week will be the significance of the word **Law**

MLC ADVENT DEVOTION: Explore the mysteries surrounding Christ's birth in *The Mysteries of Christmas: Many Millennia, Many Mysteries, One Messiah.* A devotion produced by MLC. Find copies on our welcome table or on our App. under "Daily Devotion".

<u>CALLING ALL YOUTH MUSICIANS</u>: Our Sunday School Christmas program will be on **December 17th**. Any young musicians of any instrument and skill level who would like to praise our Savior with a preservice piece, please contact Ms. Decker.

MEALS FOR DEAN: Looking for volunteers to take meals to Dean on Sundays and Wednesday's. More information and link can be found on our APP under *Volunteer*.

ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT: An Evening with Isaiah TODAY @ 4p.m. Holy Trinity Lutheran Church. Women 10yrs. and older are welcome to attend. Please RSVP to Heidi Groom at hgroom23@gmail.com

<u>NEW DAY MITTEN TREE</u>: Today, members can pull a mitten(s) off the tree to help support New Day Pregnancy Care Center. Please bring items **UNWRAPPED** and place them in the box provided by the tree.

<u>LADIES' CHRISTMAS GATHERING</u>: Join us **Thursday, December 21st at 6 pm** at Jill Siewert's home: 4335 Fountain Lane, Plymouth. This is a great chance for everyone to get to know each other! Sign-up available on the Group Life Board.

<u>WISE PENNY</u>: Looking for volunteers to help out every **2nd Sunday** of the month at **1:00pm**. We would like volunteers to sign-up by the Sunday before. There is a sign-up on the group life board or on our App. under "Group Life" if you are interested.

<u>MLC JOB OPENING</u>: Martin Luther College is accepting applications for a full-time **Director of Financial Aid**, a full-time **Director of Alumni Relations**, and part-time **Assistant Coaches** in **baseball** and **tennis**. Apply online at <u>mlc-wels.edu/hr/</u>.

THANKS TO THOSE WHO SERVED:

- **†** Organist: Susan Decker
- † Flutists: Grace Hahm (Holy Trinity) and Natalie Menges (Cross of Christ
- **†** AV Team