

Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

November 25, 2018

*For every house is
built by someone,
but God is the builder
of everything.*
Hebrews 3:4



*Leap
of
Faith*

R E V E L A T I O N 1 : 8

WHO IS AND
WHO WAS AND
WHO IS TO COME

C H R I S T T H E K I N G

Communion Statement

We will be celebrating Holy Communion at this service

We consider this to be a family meal partaken in and with the Real Presence of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The term "Communion" describes the relationship between the participants, certainly between each person and our Savior whose meal it is, but also with all who come together to consume Christ's body and blood in and with the bread and wine. To properly celebrate Communion all participants should be in communion, sharing the same confession of faith as is taught by the Lutheran Church Missouri Synod (LCMS). **We welcome all those who regularly confess this faith as members or regular attenders of Lamb of God. Those who belong to another LCMS congregation and wish to join with us as fellow family members are asked to speak to an Elder prior to the beginning of service. Those who are visiting but not members of an LCMS congregation may approach the communion rail and receive a blessing with their arms folded in front of their chest, or remain seated.**

This has been the practice of the Church from the beginning, which according to earliest records would dismiss all those not baptized and confirmed before the Lord's Supper was celebrated. We are celebrating this Sacrament in keeping with this tradition. If you are from outside the LCMS confession, please know that we are not judging you or your faith. We are not implying that you are not a Christian or worthy of the gifts Christ won for you on the cross. We are simply acknowledging that since you do not have the same confession as we do you are not "in communion" with us. If you still desire to participate in Holy Communion in the future at Lamb of God please speak with Pastor Mark after the service.

Thank you for honoring our celebration of Holy Communion.

*** Note: For those concerned about consuming alcohol-the individual cups in the center of each tray contain diluted wine. (1 drop of wine in water)*

Lamb of God Lutheran Church

Who witness, have fellowship & show compassion

2051 West Maple Ave.
Flint, MI 48507
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Pastor Mark Pretznaw
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WORSHIP

10:00 am

Divine Service IV

Last Sunday of the Church Year

November 25, 2018

Fellowship Register

Please sign the register that you will find in the book holder and pass it on to the others sitting in your pew. Guests are invited to sign the register and please include your address. Thank you.

Pre-Service Music

Welcome & Announcements

☐ The Peace of the Lord be with you always.

☒ **And also with you.**

(The Peace of the Lord is given and received)

Opening Hymn + LSB 549

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros-trate fall;
 2 Crown Him, ye mar-tyrs of our God, Who from His al - tar call;
 3 Ye seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race, Ye ran - somed from the fall,
 4 Hail Him, ye heirs of Da-vid's line, Whom Da - vid Lord did call,
 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get The worm-wood and the gall,



Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And crown Him Lord of all.
 Ex - tol the stem of Jes - se's rod And crown Him Lord of all.
 Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
 The God in - car-nate, man di - vine, And crown Him Lord of all.
 Go, spread your tro-phies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.



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6 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe,
 On this terrestrial ball
 To Him all majesty ascribe
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 [To Him all majesty ascribe
 And crown Him Lord of all.]

7 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
 We at His feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song
 And crown Him Lord of all.
 [We'll join the everlasting song
 And crown Him Lord of all.]

Invocation, Confession and Absolution

- ☐ In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

 **Amen.**

- ☐ Our help is in the name of the Lord,

 **who made heaven and earth.**

- ☐ If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

 **But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.**







- ☐ Since we are gathered to hear God's Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar. let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

 **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**


- Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the □ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

 **Amen.**

Introit + The Psalm + Ps. 39:4-5a, 7-8, 12a; antiphon: 2 Peter 3:13b NIV

- We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth,
 **the home of righteousness.**
- O LORD, make me know my end and what is the measure of my days;
 **let me know how fleeting I am!**
- Behold, you have made my days a few handbreadths,
 **and my lifetime is as nothing before you.**
- And now, O Lord, for what do I wait?
 **My hope is in you.**
- Deliver me from all my transgressions.
 **Do not make me the scorn of the fool!**
- Hear my prayer, O LORD, and give ear to my cry;
 **hold not your peace at my tears!**
- Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**
- We are looking forward to a new heaven and a new earth, the home of righteousness.

Kyrie + LSB 152

- In peace let us pray to the Lord.
 **Lord, have mercy.**

☐ For the peace from above and for our salvation let us pray to the Lord.

 Lord, have mercy.

☐ 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.

 Lord, have mercy.

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

 Lord, have mercy.

☐ Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

 Amen.



Salutation and Col-

lect of the Day

☐ The Lord be with you.

 And also with you.

☐ Let us prayⁱ Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and

minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Amen.

Please be seated.

Old Testament
51:4-6

Reading + Isaiah

⁴“Give at-
my people,
me, my na-
law will go
and I will set



Children's Message

tention to me,
and give ear to
tion; for a
out from me,
my justice for a

light to the peoples. ⁵My righteousness draws near, my salvation has gone out, and my arms will judge the peoples; the coastlands hope for me, and for my arm they wait. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and they who dwell in it will die in like manner; but my salvation will be forever, and my righteousness will never be dismayed.

☐ This is the Word of the Lord.



Thanks be to God.

Bells 2 Heaven + "Tallis Cannon"

Epistle + Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne,⁵ and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood⁶ and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.⁷ Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.”

□ This is the Word of the Lord.

☩ **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand, as able.

Holy Gospel + Mark 13:24-37

□ The Holy Gospel according to St. Mark, the 13th chapter.

☩ **Glory to You, O Lord.**

²⁴“In those days, after that tribulation, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light,²⁵ and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken.²⁶ And then they will see the Son of Man coming in clouds with great power and glory.²⁷ And then he will send out the angels and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven.

²⁸ “From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts out its leaves, you know that summer is

near.²⁹ So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates.³⁰ Truly, I say to you, this generation will not pass away until all these things take place.³¹ Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away.

³² “But concerning that day or that hour, no one knows, not even the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.³³ Be on guard, keep awake. For you do not know when the time will come.³⁴ It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his servants in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to stay awake.³⁵ Therefore stay awake—for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or when the cock crows, or in the morning—³⁶ lest he come suddenly and find you asleep.³⁷ And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake.”

□ This is the Gospel of the Lord.

☩ **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Nicene Creed

I be-
the Father
of heaven
and all things
visible.

And in



lieve in one God,
Almighty, maker
and earth and of
visible and invis-

one Lord Jesus

Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of his Father before all worlds, God of God, Light of Light, very God of very God, begotten, not made, being of one substance with the Father, by whom all things were made; who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary and was made man; and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate. He suffered and was buried. And the third day he rose again according to the Scriptures and ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of the Father. And he will come again with glory to judge both the living and the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord and giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and glorified, who spoke by the Prophets. And I believe in one holy Christian and Apostolic Church, I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins, and I look for the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

Please be seated.

Hymn of the Day

Sermon Hymn + LSB 513

(tune "Aurelia" LSB 644)

The Clouds of Judgment Gather

- 1 The clouds of judgment gather,
 The time is growing late;
Be sober and be watchful,
 Our judge is at the gate:
The judge who comes in mercy,
 The judge who comes in might
To put an end to evil
 And diadem the right.
- 2 Arise, O true disciples;
 Let wrong give way to right,
And penitential shadow
 To Jesus' blessed light:
The light that has no evening,
 That knows no moon or sun,
The light so new and golden,
 The light that is but one.
- 3 The home of fadeless splendor,
 Of blooms that bear no thorn,
Where they shall dwell as children
 Who here as exiles mourn;
The peace of all the faithful,
 The calm of all the blest,
Inviolable, unfading,
 Divinest, sweetest, best.

- 4 Oh, happy, holy portion,
Relief for all distressed,
True vision of true beauty,
Refreshment for the blest!
Strive now to win that glory,
Toil now to gain that light;
Send hope ahead to grasp it
Till hope be lost in sight.

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Sermon + Mark 13

Offering

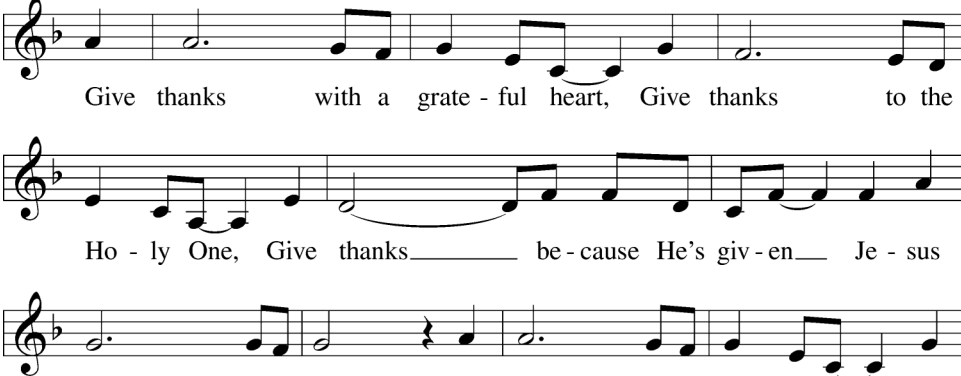
Offering Verse + Revelation 5 b-6

To Him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by His blood and made us a kingdom, priests to His God and Father, to Him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Please stand, as able.

Offertory Hymn + LSB 806

Give Thanks with a Grateful Heart



Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, Give thanks to the

Ho - ly One, Give thanks _____ be - cause He's giv - en _____ Je - sus

Christ His Son. Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, Give

thanks to the Ho - ly One, Give thanks _____ be-cause He's giv-en_

Je - sus Christ His Son. And now let the weak say "I am

strong," Let the poor say "I am rich," _____ Be-cause of

what the Lord has done for us. And now let the

weak say "I am strong," Let the poor say "I am

rich," _____ Be-cause of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks, _____ give thanks. _____

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Please be seated.

Prayer of the Church
(each petition will conclude:)

- ☐ let us pray to the Lord:
- Lord, have mercy.

- ☐ Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

 **Amen.**

Please stand, as able.

Service of the Sacrament

- ☐ The Lord be with you.

 **And also with you.**

- ☐ Lift up your hearts.

 **We lift them to the Lord.**

- ☐ Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

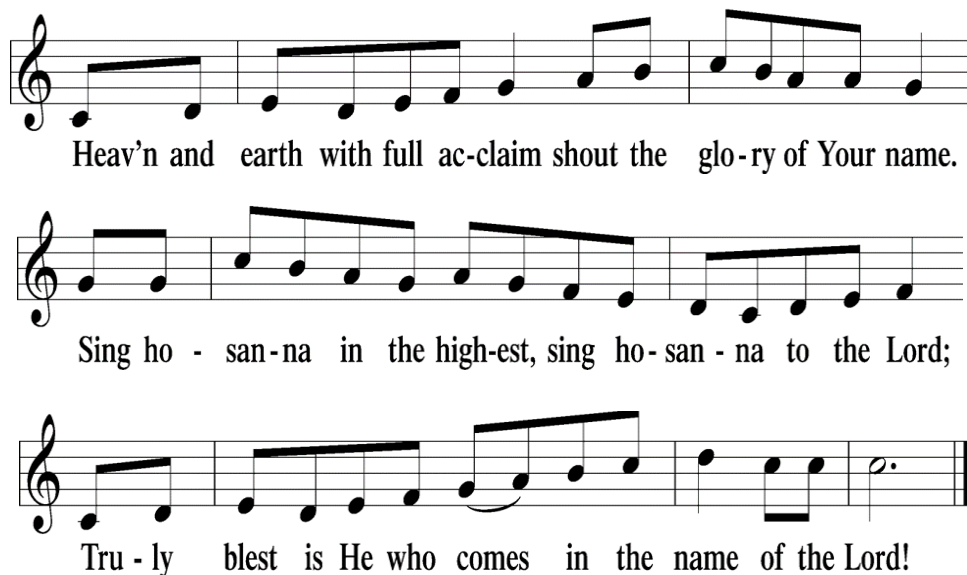
 **It is right to give Him thanks and praise.**

Pastor

It is truly good, right, and salutary...with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying.

Sanctus






Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

Sing ho - san-na in the high-est, sing ho-san - na to the Lord;

Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Lord's Prayer

- ☐ Hear us as we pray in His name and as He has taught us:
-  **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.**

Words of Our Lord

Pax Domini

- ☐ The peace of the Lord be with you always.



Amen.

Agnus Dei

Please be seated.




1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,



You take the sin of the world a - way;
You take the sin of the world a - way;



O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,
Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,



Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.
And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

+ *Distribution of the Blessed Sacrament* +

Distribution Hymn + LSB 395

O Morning Star, How Fair and Bright



1 O Morn - ing Star, how fair and bright! You shine with God's
2 Come, heav'n - ly Bride-groom, Light di - vine, And deep with - in
3 Lord, when You look on us in love, At once there falls
4 Al - might - y Fa - ther, in Your Son You loved us when



own truth and light, A - glow with grace and mer - cy!
our hearts now shine; There light a flame un - dy - ing!
from God a - bove A ray of pur - est plea - sure.
not yet be - gun Was this old earth's foun - da - tion!



Of Ja - cob's race, King Da - vid's son, Our Lord and mas -
In Your one bod - y let us be As liv - ing branch -
Your Word and Spir - it, flesh and blood Re - fresh our souls
Your Son has ran - somed us in love To live in Him



ter, You have won Our hearts to serve You on - ly!
es of a tree, Your life our lives sup - ply - ing.
with heav'n - ly food. You are our dear - est trea - sure!
here and a - bove: This is Your great sal - va - tion.



Low - ly, ho - ly! Great and glo - rious, All vic - to - rious,
Now, though dai - ly Earth's deep sad - ness May per - plex us
Let Your mer - cy Warm and cheer us! O draw near us!
Al - le - lu - ia! Christ the liv - ing, To us giv - ing



Rich in bless - ing! Rule and might o'er all pos - sess - ing!
And dis - tress us, Yet with heav'n - ly joy You bless us.
For You teach us God's own love through You has reached us.
Life for - ev - er, Keeps us Yours and fails us nev - er!

5 O let the harps break forth in sound!
Our joy be all with music crowned,
Our voices gladly blending!
For Christ goes with us all the way—
Today, tomorrow, ev'ry day!
His love is never ending!
Sing out! Ring out!
Jubilation!
Exultation!
Tell the story!
Great is He, the King of Glory!

6 What joy to know, when life is past,
The Lord we love is first and last,
The end and the beginning!
He will one day, oh, glorious grace,
Transport us to that happy place
Beyond all tears and sinning!
Amen! Amen!
Come, Lord Jesus!
Crown of gladness!
We are yearning
For the day of Your returning!

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Distribution Hymn + LSB 621
Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence

1 Let all mor - tal flesh keep si - lence And with fear and
 2 King of kings yet born of Mar - y, As of old on
 3 Rank on rank the host of heav - en Spreads its van - guard
 4 At His feet the six - winged ser - aph, Cher - u - bim with

trem - bling stand; Pon - der noth - ing earth - ly - mind - ed,
 earth He stood, Lord of lords in hu - man ves - ture,
 on the way As the Light of Light, de - scend - ing
 sleep - less eye, Veil their fac - es to the pres - ence

For with bless - ing in His hand Christ our God to earth de -
 In the bod - y and the blood, He will give to all the
 From the realms of end - less day, Comes the pow'rs of hell to
 As with cease-less voice they cry: "Al - le - lu - ia, al - le -

scend - ing Comes our hom - age to de - mand.
 faith - ful His own self for heav'n - ly food.
 van - quish As the dark - ness clears a - way.
 lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia, Lord Most High!"

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Distribution Hymn +
Just as I Am,



Plea

LSB 570
without One



1 Just as I am, with - out one plea But that Thy
 2 Just as I am and wait - ing not To rid my
 3 Just as I am, though tossed a - bout With man - y a
 4 Just as I am, poor, wretch - ed, blind; Sight, rich - es,



blood was shed for me And that Thou bidd'st me come to
 soul of one dark blot, To Thee, whose blood can cleanse each
 con - flict, man - y a doubt, Fight - ings and fears with - in, with -
 heal - ing of the mind, Yea, all I need, in Thee to



Thee, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 spot, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 out, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.
 find, O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

5 Just as I am, Thou wilt receive,
 Wilt welcome, pardon, cleanse, relieve;
 Because Thy promise I believe,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

6 Just as I am; Thy love unknown
 Has broken ev'ry barrier down;
 Now to be Thine, yea, Thine alone,
 O Lamb of God, I come, I come.

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Table Blessing

Please stand, as able.

Nunc Dimittis + LSB 211

+ Collect for Grace +

□ Gracious God, our heavenly Father, You have given us a

1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -
2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All

part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the
glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the

glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:
Spir - it, For - ev - er Three - in - One;

A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -
For as in the be - gin - ning, Is

to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -

peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

foretaste of the feast to come in the Holy Supper of Your Son's body and blood. Keep us firm in the true faith throughout our days of pilgrimage that, on the day of His coming, we may, together with all Your saints, celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom which has no end; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Amen.

Benedicamus and Benediction



Let us bless the Lord.



Thanks be to God.



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.



Amen.

LSB
**Love Divine, All
ling**



Closing Hymn +
700
Loves Excel-



1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of
2 Breathe, O breathe Thy lov - ing Spir - it In - to
3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; Let us
4 Fin - ish then Thy new cre - a - tion, Pure and



heav'n, to earth come down! Fix in us Thy
ev - 'ry trou - bled breast; Let us all in
all Thy life re - ceive; Sud - den - ly re -
spot - less let us be; Let us see Thy



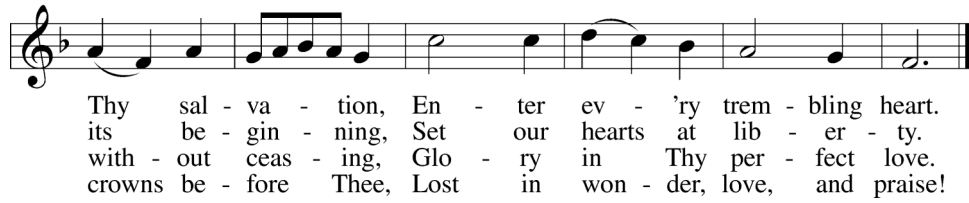
hum - ble dwell - ing, All Thy faith - ful mer - cies crown.
Thee in - her - it; Let us find Thy prom - ised rest.
turn, and nev - er, Nev - er - more Thy tem - ples leave.
great sal - va - tion Per - fect - ly re - stored in Thee,



Je - sus, Thou art all com - pas - sion, Pure, un -
Take a - way the love of sin - ning; Al - pha
Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing, Serve Thee
Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry, Till in



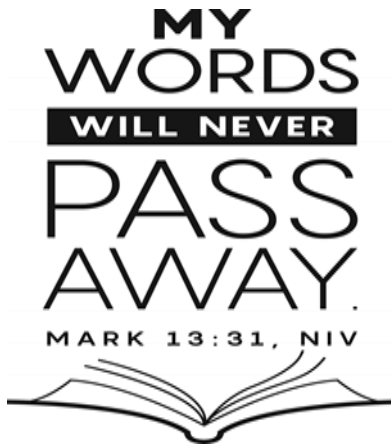
bound - ed love Thou art; Vis - it us with
and O - me - ga be; End of faith, as
as Thy hosts a - bove, Pray and praise Thee
heav'n we take our place, Till we cast our



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☐ Go in peace, serve the Lord.

~ **Thanks be to God**





Advent Service

Wednesday

December 5, 12, & 19, 2018

7:00 pm

Soup Suppers

At 5:00-6:30 pm.



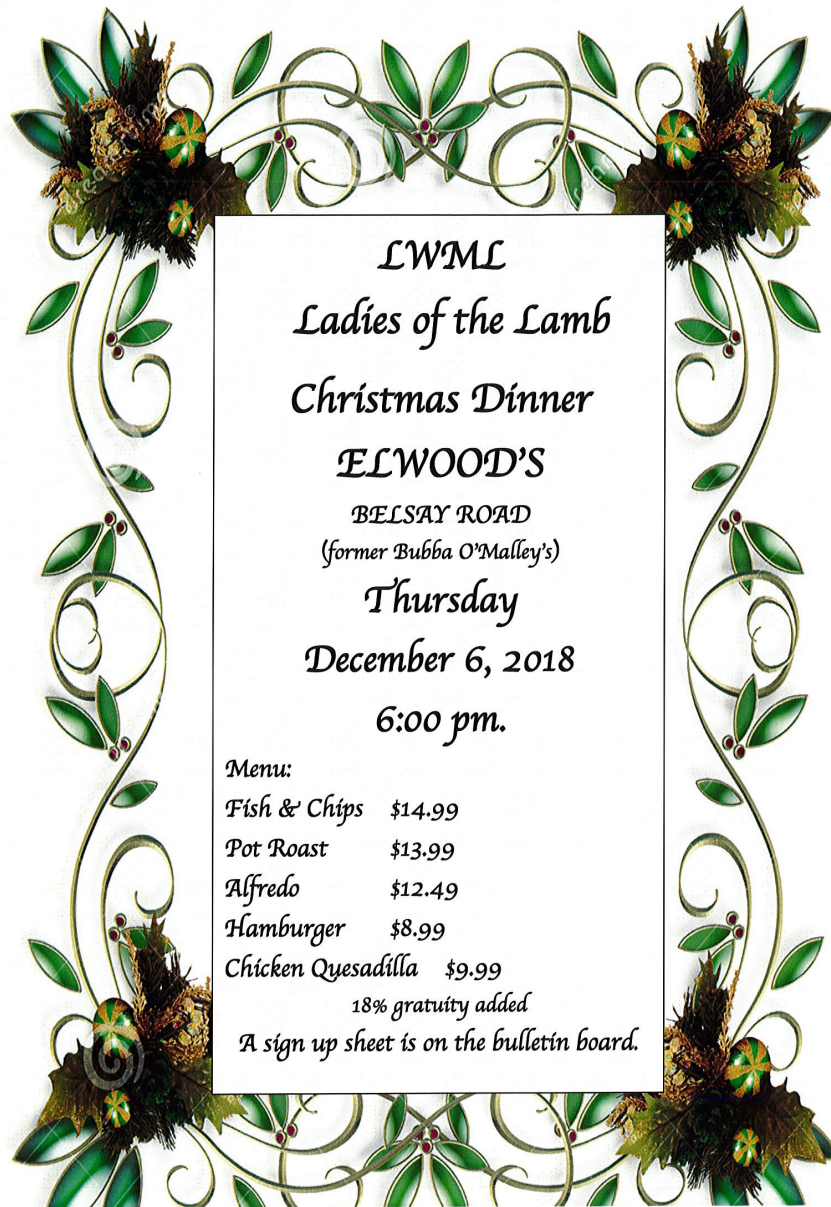
*Poinsettia
orders!*

Time to sign up for the Poinsettia plants
that decorate our Altar for Christmas.

Cost is \$9.00 per plant (red only) and can
be taken home for your enjoyment
following the 10:00 pm service on
Christmas Eve.

A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board.

Put money in **Poinsettia envelope** (that is on the
table in the hallway) and then put in the offering
plate.



THEN THEY WILL SEE
**'THE SON OF MAN
COMING IN CLOUDS'**
WITH GREAT POWER
AND GLORY.



MARK 13:26, NRSV