# Lamb Of God Lutheran Church

November 8, 2020



23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost



### **Lamb of God Lutheran Church**

Empowered by Christ's Sacraments to be His witness in Friendship/Fellowship/and Faith.

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WORSHIP 10:00 am

Divine Service IV

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**Pre-Service Music** 

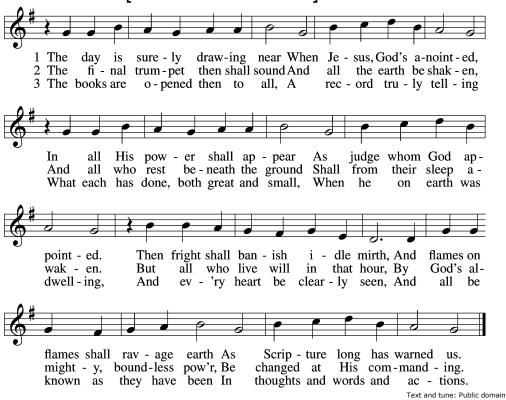
### Welcome and Announcements

#### Salutation

- **P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always
- And also with you.

Please share the Peace of Christ with a wave of your hand from where you sit.

## **508 The Day Is Surely Drawing Near** (sts 1-3) [Lamb of God Favorite]



### Confession and Absolution

Please stand as you are able

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

- **P** In the name of the Father and of the 

  → Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C who made heaven and earth.

- P If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.
- P 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.
- P Almighty God, merciful Father, in Holy Baptism You declared us to be Your children and gathered us into Your one, holy Church, in which You daily and richly forgive us our sins and grant us new life through Your Spirit. Be in our midst, enliven our faith, and graciously receive our prayer and praise; through Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

### Service of the Word

#### Introit

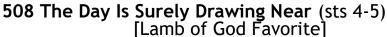
P Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.

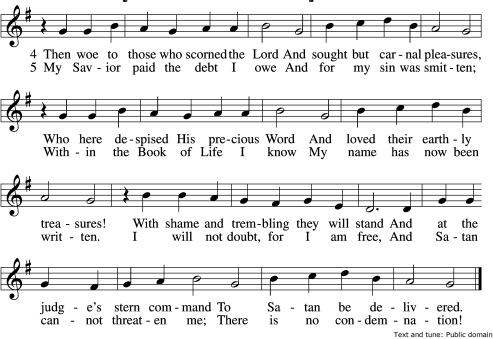
- How lovely is your dwelling place, O LORD of hosts!
- P Behold our shield, O God; look on the face of your anointed!
- For a day in your courts is better than a thousand elsewhere.

  I would rather be a doorkeeper in the house of my God than dwell in the tents of wickedness.
- P For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor.

  No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly.
- O LORD of hosts, blessèd is the one who trusts in you!
- 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.
- P Even the sparrow finds a home, and the swallow a nest for herself, where she may lay her young, at your altars, O LORD of hosts, my King and my God.







### Salutation and Collect of the Day

- **P** The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- Let us pray.

  Lord God, heavenly Father, send forth Your Son to lead home His bride, the Church, that with all the company of the redeemed we may finally enter into His eternal wedding feast; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- Amen.

Please be seated.

### Children's Message



#### Old Testament Lesson: Amos 5:18-24

<sup>18</sup>Woe to you who desire the day of the LORD! Why would you have the day of the LORD? It is darkness, and not light,

<sup>19</sup>as if a man fled from a lion, and a bear met him.

or went into the house and leaned his hand against the wall.

and a serpent bit him.

<sup>20</sup>Is not the day of the LORD darkness, and not light, and gloom with no brightness in it?

<sup>21</sup>"I hate, I despise your feasts,

and I take no delight in your solemn assemblies.

<sup>22</sup>Even though you offer me your burnt offerings and grain offerings,

I will not accept them;

and the peace offerings of your fattened animals, I will not look upon them.

<sup>23</sup>Take away from me the noise of your songs; to the melody of your harps I will not listen.

<sup>24</sup>But let justice roll down like waters, and righteousness like an ever-flowing stream."

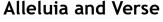
- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

### Epistle Lesson: 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

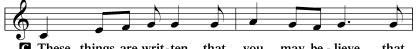
<sup>13</sup>But we do not want you to be uninformed, brothers, about those who are asleep, that you may not grieve as others do who have no hope. <sup>14</sup>For since we believe that Jesus died and rose again, even so, through Jesus, God will bring with him those who have fallen asleep. <sup>15</sup>For this we declare to you by a word from the Lord, that we who are alive, who are left until the coming of the Lord, will not precede those who have fallen asleep. <sup>16</sup>For the Lord himself will descend from heaven with a cry of command, with the voice of an archangel, and with the sound of the trumpet of God. And the dead in Christ will rise first. <sup>17</sup>Then we who are alive, who are left, will be caught up together with them in the clouds to meet the Lord in the air, and so we will always be with the Lord. <sup>18</sup>Therefore encourage one another with these words.

- **P** This is the Word of the Lord.
- **C** Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able







These things are writ-ten that may be - lieve you that





### Holy Gospel: Matthew 25:1-13

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

### **G** Glory to You, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>[Jesus said:] "The kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. <sup>2</sup>Five of them were foolish, and five were wise. <sup>3</sup>For when the foolish took their lamps, they took no oil with them, <sup>4</sup>but the wise took flasks of oil with their lamps. <sup>5</sup>As the bridegroom was delayed, they all became drowsy and slept. <sup>6</sup>But at midnight there was a cry, 'Here is the bridegroom! Come out to meet him.' Then all those virgins rose and trimmed their lamps. <sup>8</sup>And the foolish said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil, for our lamps are going out.' But the wise answered, saying, 'Since there will not be enough for us and for you, go rather to the dealers and buy for yourselves.' <sup>10</sup>And while they were going to buy, the bridegroom came, and those who were ready went in with him to the marriage feast, and the door was shut. <sup>11</sup>Afterward the other virgins came also, saying, 'Lord, lord, open to us.' <sup>12</sup>But he answered, 'Truly, I say to you, I do not know you.' <sup>13</sup>Watch therefore, for you know neither the day nor the hour."

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**©** Praise to You, O Christ. Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth and of all things visible and invisible.

And in 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.

## 514 The Bridegroom Soon Will Call Us [Sung to the tune from LSB #684]

- 1 The Bridegroom soon will call us, "Come to the wedding feast."

  May slumber not befall us

  Nor watchfulness decrease.

  May all our lamps be burning

  With oil enough and more

  That we, with Him returning,

  May find an open door!
- 2 There shall we see in glory
  Our dear Redeemer's face;
  The long-awaited story
  Of heav'nly joy takes place:
  The patriarchs shall meet us,
  The prophets' holy band;
  Apostles, martyrs greet us
  In that celestial land.

The hymn continues on next page.

- There God shall from all evil
  Forever make us free,
  From sin and from the devil,
  From all adversity,
  From sickness, pain, and sadness,
  From troubles, cares, and fears,
  And grant us heav'nly gladness
  And wipe away our tears.
- 4 In that fair home shall never
  Be silent music's voice;
  With hearts and lips forever
  We shall in God rejoice,
  While angel hosts are raising
  With saints from great to least
  A mighty hymn for praising
  The Giver of the feast.

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Sermon: Matthew 25:10-13 "Got Oil?"

### Offering and Prayers

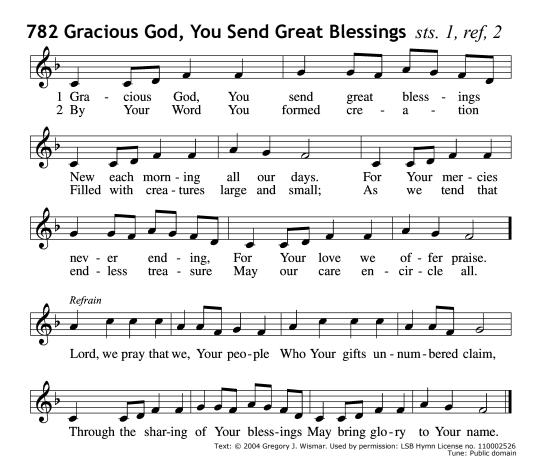
### Offering Statement:

Please fulfill your obligation as a member to support the ministry that is still on-going despite the restrictions imposed concerning public worship. Please mail in your offering, give on-line at our website, or drop your offering envelope off in the lobby in the offering box across from the Church Office Monday – Friday 9 am-1 PM

### Offering Verse: Psalm 70:4

<sup>4</sup>May all who seek you rejoice and be glad in you!
May those who love your salvation say evermore, "God is great!"

### Please stand, as able.



Please be seated

### Prayer of the Church

P Lord, You are our help and deliverer and to You we bring the prayers and petitions of Your people, that You may grant to us all things good and needful and guard us against all things evil and harmful.

Brief silence

- **P** let us pray to the Lord:
- C Lord, have mercy.
- P That the Lord may hear and answer the prayers of His people and that we may be content with His answer, trusting in His Fatherly will and wisdom to grant us all that we need and all that will profit our salvation, let us pray in the name of our Savior, Jesus Christ, our Lord.
- C Amen.

Please stand as you are able

### Lord's Prayer LSB 241

- P Taught by our Lord and trusting His promises, we are bold to pray:
- 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.

### Close of the Service

#### Benedicamus LSB 212

- **P** Let us bless the Lord.
- Thanks be to God.

### **Benediction**

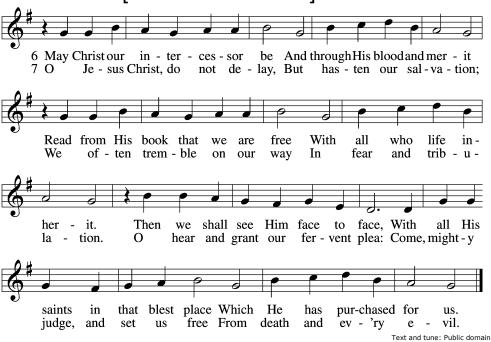
P The Lord bless you and keep you.
The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.



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### Sharing of the Peace

**P** The Peace of the Lord be with you always

### And also with you

Please take a moment today to call, or text, or through your choice of social media, reach out to your brothers and sisters and neighbors with fellowship and friendship. Be especially vigilant concerning those around you who may need your help with transportation, or groceries, or other needs that you may be in a position to help with. Reach out with the love of Christ as His Church

## **Closing Peace**

- **P** Go in peace, serve the Lord
- Thanks be to God

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