

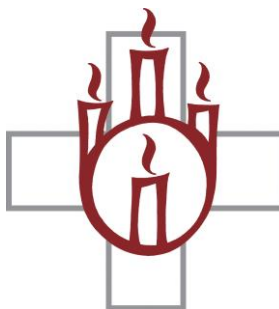


CHRIST LUTHERAN CHURCH
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+ December 11, 2024 +

The Kingdom of Heaven



We welcome our members and guests to Christ Lutheran today,
and pray God's richest blessings upon you during this time of worship!

*LARGE PRINT worship folders are available
at the usher stand at the back of the nave.*

WELCOME:

“God, who is powerful in all things, has been seen through the Spirit of prophesy; He has been seen adoptively through His Son; He will also be seen paternally in the kingdom of heaven, as the Spirit prepares one for the Son of God, as the Son leads him to the Father, and as the Father makes him incorruptible in eternal life, which happens to each from the fact that he sees God. For just as those who see the light are within the light and receive its splendor, so also those who see God are within God and perceive His splendor.”

—St. Irenaeus, *Against Heresies*

Please stand as the bell is rung.

OPENING VERSICLES

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PSALM

Psalm 146



Praise | the Lord!*

Praise the Lord, | O my soul!

I will praise the Lord as long | as I live;*

I will sing praises to my God while I have my | being.

Put not your trust in | princes,*

in a son of man, in whom there is no sal- | vation.

When his breath departs he returns | to the earth;*

on that very day his plans | perish.

Blessèd is he whose help is the God of | Jacob,*

whose hope is in the | Lord his God,

who made heaven and earth, the sea, and all that is | in them,*

who keeps faith for- | ever;

who executes justice for | the oppressed,*

who gives food to the | hungry.

The Lord sets the prisoners free; the Lord opens the eyes | of the blind.*

The Lord lifts up those who are bowed down; the Lord loves the | righteous.

The Lord watches over the sojourners; he upholds the widow and the | fatherless,*

but the way of the wicked he brings to | ruin.

The Lord will reign for- | ever,*

your God, O Zion, to all generations. | Praise the Lord!

Glory be to the Father and | to the Son*

and to the Holy | Spirit;

as it was in the be- | ginning,*

is now, and will be forever. | Amen.

Please be seated

FIRST READING

1 Corinthians 2:1-13

- L** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- C** Thanks be to God.

SECOND READING

Revelation 1:10-18

- L** O Lord, have mercy on us.
- C** Thanks be to God.

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OFFICE HYMN

O Jesus, King Most Wonderful

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MEDITATION

Heaven and Where to Find Him

Please stand

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CLOSING HYMN

O Jesus Christ, Thy Manger Is

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