A Celebration of Christ's Reign in the Seasons of the Church Year



The Season of End Times Week 4 | Christ the King

Redeemer Lutheran Church | Fond du Lac, Wisconsin November 22/23, 2020



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A warm welcome to those visiting us this morning. Here at Redeemer we preach Christ crucified, whose suffering and death paid for our sins and earned for us the gift of everlasting life. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to speak with Pastor Borgwardt. We pray that you return to worship with us again.

For Your Convenience

- Restrooms are available and located in the Gathering Area through the double doors.
- A Mothers' Room is available in the rear of the sanctuary if your little ones need a moment.
- Children's Activity Sheets are located on the table in the gathering area.

Temporary Adaptations in Worship

- Since we are in an enclosed space, we've shortened the services and reduced the singing.
- Bulletins are placed in every other pew for social distancing.
- Offerings are collected in the plate in the back of the sanctuary and will be brought forward during the Offertory.
- Worshipers will be excused from the back pews first.
- Per the Governor's mandate, masks are to be worn inside the building.

We are thankful that these mitigation steps for the coronavirus allow the majority of our active members to worship in person, which is a gift of encouragement to one another. For those who need to postpone their return to in-person worship due to the currently high transmission rates, or especially if you are recovering from illness or need to be quarantined, we also Livestream the 8 am service on Youtube: Redeemer Fond du Lac. We look forward to when those who are worshiping from home can join us in person for worship again!

A Prayer to Prepare for Worship

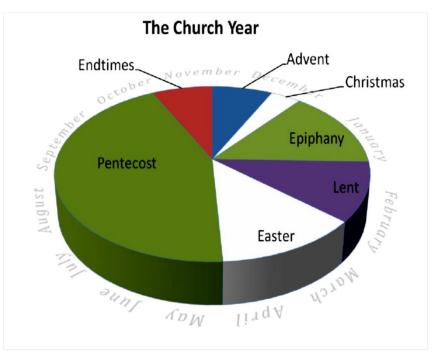
Dear Jesus, although it doesn't look like it at times, you reign over this world. Not only did you save me from my sins, but you now control all things for my good. Let your Word today strengthen my faith in you as my king who has rescued me and now takes care of me. And let your word give me the courage to tell Fond du Lac about my king. In your holy name I pray, Amen.

THE CHURCH YEAR

For centuries, the Christian Church has worshiped according to the Church Year. The Church Year begins in late November or early December with the season of Advent. The first six months of the church year (December through May) follow the life of Christ from his birth until his suffering, death, and resurrection on Easter Sunday. The second six months of the church year (June through November) follow the teachings of Christ.

Today is the last Sunday of the Church Year. On the Festival of Christ the King, we remember that the entire Church Year celebrates the rule of Christ over the world and in our hearts now and forever.

Today we will use a special service to walk through the Church Year and see how Christ reigns as king through all the seasons of the Church Year.



CALL TO WORSHIP

Crown Him with Many Crowns
Christian Worship Hymn #341

C: (Sings)

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne. Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, And hail him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above; Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love. His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

RESPONSORY (from Revelation 1 and Jeremiah 23)

- P: Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.
- C: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father-- to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.
- P: "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness."
- C: (Sings) Crown him the Lord of heav'n, enthroned in worlds above; Crown him the King to whom is giv'n the wondrous name of Love. Crown him with many crowns, as thrones before him fall; Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, for he is King of all.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The minister speaks the Prayer of the Day

C: Amen.

ADVENT

"Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne."

Luke 1:26-27, 30-33

Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel Christian Worship Hymn #23

Oh, come, oh, come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel, That mourns in lonely exile here Until the Son of God appear. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

Oh, come, O Key of David, come, and open wide our heavenly home. Make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery. Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you, O Israel.

CHRISTMAS.

"Crown him the virgin's son, the God incarnate born."

saiah 9:6-7a

Joy to the Word Christian Worship Hymn #62

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;

Let every heart prepare Him room,

And heav'n and nature sing,

And heav'n and nature sing,

And heav'n, and heav'n, and nature sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace, And makes the nations prove
The glories of His righteousness,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders of His love,
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

- EPIPHANY —

"Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways."

Matthew 2:1-2, 9-12

As With Gladness Men of Old Christian Worship Hymn #83

As with gladness, men of old, Did the guiding star behold As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore your foll'wers be.

As they offered gifts most rare At your cradle, rude and bare; So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy, All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to you, our heav'nly King.

LENT -

"Crown him the Lord of love—behold his hands and sides."

Matthew 27:27-33

O Sacred Head, Now Wounded Christian Worship Hymn #105

O sacred Head, now wounded, with grief and shame weighed down, Now scornfully surrounded with thorns, your only crown; O sacred head, no glory Now from your face does shine; Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call you mine



FASTER

"Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave."

1 Corinthians 15:20-25

Jesus Christ is Ris'n Today Christian Worship Hymn #157

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia! But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation has procured, Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!

PENTECOST-

"Crown him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above."

Ephesians 1:15-23

The Church's One Foundation Christian Worship Hymn #538

The Church's one foundation Is Jesus Christ, her Lord; She is his new creation By water and the Word. From heav'n he came and sought her To be his holy bride; With his own blood he bought her, And for her life he died.

The Church shall never perish. Her dear Lord, to defend,
To guide, sustain, and cherish, Is with her to the end.
Though there be those that hate her And strive to see her fail,
Against both foe and traitor She ever shall prevail.

OFFERTORY and PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERINGS

For those worshiping from home and desire to support the gospel ministry carried out at Redeemer, WLA, and the worldwide ministry of the WELS, one option is to give online. Go to redeemerfdl.org and click on giving.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

The LORD'S PRAYER

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.

BLESSING

- P: The Lord bless you and keep you.
 The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.
 The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.
- C: Amen.





		THIS WEEK
Sun	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Worship
	10:30 AM	Worship
Mon	6:30 PM	Worship
Tue	4:00 PM	Catechism Class
Wed	6:30 PM	Thanksgiving Worship
Thu	9:00 AM	Thanksgiving Worship
Sun	8:00 AM	Worship
	9:15 AM	Worship
	10:30 AM	Worship

SERVING TODAY

Pastor James Borgwardt Isaac Lundberg, organist

IN-PERSON WORSHIP November 15

8:00 AM---80 9:15 AM-70 10:30 AM-45 Monday-30 Total: 225

A LOOK AHEAD to ADVENT & CHRISTMAS

Dec 2—Midweek Advent Worship
Dec 9—Midweek Advent Worship
Dec 12/13—Christmas for Kids Carry-out
Dec 16—Midweek Advent Worship
Dec 20 afternoon—Redeemer School's
Christmas Service in gym—families only
Dec 24—Candlelight Services— 5 & 7pm
Dec 25—Lessons & Carols—9am

(no services on Mondays 12/21 or 12/28)

THE NEW MEDITATIONS are available on the table in the gathering area, and on the track rack. The devotions in this issue begin, November 29.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP will be on Thanksgiving Eve at 6:30 pm and Thanksgiving Day at 9:00 am. The Wednesday service will be Livestreamed. (If you're unsure which one to attend, and want to help even out attendance, Thanksgiving morning *might* have a lighter attendance, based on previous years.)

SMILES FOR SENIORS—We have the opportunity to write letters or cards for two groups of people: our own homebound members, and residents at the Lutheran home. The cards for those at the Lutheran Home should be in general, not going to a specific person. The two members whom we highlight the week are:

Elaine Schroeder 314 17th St. Fond du Lac, WI 54935

Donna Rennert Sage Meadow 154 S. Pioneer Way Fond du Lac, WI 54935

There is a box in the gathering area to collect them. We will be taking over our first delivery of cards, letters and pictures from our members and students on this Tuesday, November 24, to the Lutheran Home.

LANDSCAPING VOLUNTEERS for two projects: 1) If you would like to help with our pre-winter pruning needs, contact Rachel Jahns in our office. 2) If you would like to help with our leaves, at your convenience you can either haul them away, or pull them to the curb.

POINSETTIAS for our church Christmas decorations will be ordered on Dec. 1st. If you wish to give a plant as a memorial, fill out one of the envelopes on the table in the gathering area. The poinsettias are \$10.00 per plant. You may take your plant home after the Christmas morning service.

GIFT CARDS FOR OUR SEMINARY STUDENTS Redeemer is now hosting a program that had been hosted by Immanuel, Campbellsport for many decades: Gifting the married students at Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary in Mequon before Christmas. This year we will be collecting gift cards for the students.

Gift cards may be purchased on your own, or you may give money towards the purchase of the cards. A collection bag is located by the office window. Please put gift cards & donations in there. Suggestion: Buy from the stores directly or use WLA Scrip Office WLA sells Script from noon-6pm on Wednesdays. However, this week the Scrip Office is open <u>Tuesday</u>, noon-6pm. (This purchase also helps support WLA!)

Deadline for Giving: Monday, November 30

We are targeting the first week of December to deliver gift cards in a Christmas card to the seminary. There are 57 married students.

Questions: Please contact Roxy Pieper: braillepins@yahoo.com

Gift cards being offered: Walmart, Amazon, Pick n Save Aldi, Woodmans, Festival Foods, Piggly Wiggly, Sendiks, Meijer, Sam's Club, Mobil, BP, McDonalds, Culvers, Dominos, Subway, Panera, Buffalo Wild Wings, Barnes & Noble, Kohls, Bath and Body Works, Menards, Cabelas, Target, Fleet Farm, Olive Garden, Other

CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS will be carried out a little differently this year. Families will still have the opportunity to enjoy celebrating Jesus' birth, but from the comforts of your own home. Craft and activity packets will be made available for children PreK through 2nd grade, and will be sent home on Friday, December 11th. The annual nativity play will be recorded and posted on our website. More details to come.

MIDWEEK ADVENT SERVICES will start next Wednesday, December 2. We'll hold one service at 6:30 PM on each of those Wednesdays.

THE REDEEMER SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE will be held in the gymnasium this year. It has just enough space to accommodate four attendees for each school family. It will be held on Sunday, December 20th at 4 PM.

LIVE NATIVITY Martin Luther Church & School in Oshkosh is holding their annual live nativity on Saturday, December 5th, from 4:00-7:00. Admission is free; drive or walk through. Martin Luther is located at 1526 Algoma Blvd, in Oshkosh, just north of the Paine Art Center.

WLA SCRIP NEWS The WLA SCRIP office will be open Tuesday, November 24 from 12:00-6:00 pm and closed on Wednesday, November 25. The last day to place a special order to receive gift cards in time for Christmas is Wednesday, December 9. The last day the SCRIP office at WLA will be open before Christmas is Wednesday, December 16.

WLA CANCELLED EVENTS The following in-person events at WLA have been cancelled: winter band concert, Christmas concerts, and WLA Let's Celebrate. We look forward to the day when we can return to celebrating these or other events together and in person.

SPECIAL EDUCATION PARAPROFESSIONAL POSITION - WA has an opening for a paraprofessional in the Special Education Department. Applications can be mailed, emailed or dropped off in the WLA office. Applications are being accepted through Wednesday, December 2, 2020.

THE INSTALLATION FOR PASTOR CHRIS RATHJE will be Sunday, January 17th in the afternoon. Lord-willing they will have moved into their home two weeks prior to Rastor Rathje's beginning of ministry at Redeemer. Continue to keep them and Abiding Hope Lutheran Church in prayer as they handle the many details related to moving, and conclude their ministry in Ocala.

SECOND IMPRESSIONS continues to be blessed with record sales! New Items Arrive Daily, Come On Over And Check Them Out! Second Impressions is now open Mondays from 9 am to 3 pm. Sales week of Thanksgiving include: Monday thru Wed, Nov. 23-25th is 25% OFF Entire Store; closed Thanksgiving Day; Black Friday, Nov. 27, 50% OFF Entire store excluding furniture, with early bird specials 9am until Noon; and Saturday, Nov. 28, 50% OFF Entire Store excluding furniture, with early bird specials from 9am until Noon. Donations: Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to our store! We can always use any type of donation. Higher priority items this month include: Tools, linens (towels, sheets, comforters, etc.) men's and children's shoes; children's winter coats and snow pants; boys' size 2 to 6 winter clothing; all sizes of men's jeans; men's size small shirts; flannel shirts; pots and pans; small appliances, and 100 to 500 piece puzzles. If donating clothing, please donate in-season clothing (fall/winter). Please note that if you are donating items that have manuals, it is very helpful if you could include the manual whenever possible. Thank you! Volunteers are still needed in all areas. Join our team and enjoy Christian fellowship and comradery while making a difference in our community. Call or stop by the store to volunteer, donate, or do some shopping! 325 Winnebago Drive, Fond du Lac Phone: (920) 907-9900.