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The Third Sunday of End Time – Saints Triumphant

November 15 & 16, 2020

LIGHT OF THE VALLEY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Worship: Sundays at 10:30 am

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Welcome

Do you believe that Jesus will return today to end the world and judge all people? Thanks be to God that in his love and through Jesus' saving work on the cross, we have been made ready. When Jesus comes in the end, we will be raised and united with all those who have preceded us in the faith. Therefore, let us continue to be vigilant in the faith until that day comes, always ready for his return.

Visitors

We are so thankful that you joined us for worship! We would be thrilled to share more about what we teach, preach, and believe with you. Please leave your contact information with Pastor Klein or fill out our [online guestbook](#) on our church website. If there is any other way that we can serve you, please let us know. God bless your worship!

Information

Restrooms are located on your right as you exit the back of the sanctuary.

The **Fellowship Hall** is located to the left of the sanctuary.

A **Playroom & Nursery** are available for small children, located to your right as you exit the back of the sanctuary, near the entrance to the Ladies' Restroom.

Hand Sanitizer is located in the entry way of church.

Prayer Requests can be made by filling out the prayer request book as you enter church or by speaking with the pastor.

Serving in Worship

Music: 8:00 am & 10:30 am Gail Vander Wal

Ushers: 8:00 am Steve V & Gary T; 10:30 am Larry C & Joe K

Communion Assistants: 8:00 am Tyler J; 10:30 am Ben H; 7:00 pm Andy H

Worship Leader: Pastor Jon Klein



Light of the Valley is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS).

Precautionary Measures in Worship for COVID-19

Masks

The wearing of masks at church is mandated by current state health guidelines. We have free masks on the table in the front entry way for you to use and take home.

Worship Folders & Children's Bulletins

The worship folders are placed on the chairs in the sanctuary prior to each worship service. Please take them home or put them in a blue recycling bin at the end of worship. At this time, we are offering children's bulletins only for download on our website.

Communion

We will distribute communion in a "continuous flow" style. When the usher directs you, move down the center aisle to the front of the sanctuary to the line of tape closest to the baptismal font on your side. The communion assistant will place the bread (Jesus' body) in your outstretched hand. Then proceed to the pastor to receive the wine (Jesus' blood). He will hand you the individual cup, holding it from the top. Please take it from the bottom. Once finished, proceed to the side aisle, depositing your individual cup in the basket provided. At the end of the distribution of the Lord's Supper, Pastor will bless the entire congregation after covering the elements (the bread and wine).

Ushers

They will provide you additional worship folders as needed and usher you up for communion one row at a time.

Sanitization

Volunteers are needed to sanitize all of the high contact areas in church after each worship service. Please help when and where you can.

Fellowship Food & Drink

Although we are not offering fellowship time with food at this time, you can get hot and cold water from the water dispenser in the lobby entryway.

Entrance & Exit

There is hand sanitizer available outside and inside the front entrance for your use. After worship, exit using the front or side doors, whichever you prefer.

Order of Worship

*In our worship, God comes to us in his Word and his Sacraments, and we respond with our praise and thanksgiving to him. All are welcome to participate as indicated. The parts marked **M** are spoken or sung by the minister, and the parts marked **C** are spoken or sung by everyone in the congregation.*

Opening Hymn: CW 607 *How Blest Are They*



1 How blest are they who trust in Christ When we
2 In rip - ened age, their har - vest reaped, Or gone
3 In Christ, who tast - ed death for us, We rise



and those we love must part. We yield them up, for
from us in youth or prime, In Christ they have e -
a - bove our nat - ural grief And wit - ness to a



go we must, But do not lose them from our heart.
ter - nal life, Re - leased from all the bonds of time.
strick - en world The strength and splen - dor of be - lief.

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M: The grace of our Lord (†) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: And also with you.

Prayer and Praise

As we come before God, we praise him for all the wondrous things he does for us.

M: Sing to the LORD, you saints of his; praise his holy name. *(Psalm 30:4)*

C: Love the LORD, all his saints! The LORD preserves the faithful, but the proud he pays back in full. *(Psalm 31:23)*

M: The LORD says, "As for the saints who are in the land,

C: they are the glorious ones in whom is all my delight." *(Psalm 16:3)*

M: I heard a voice from heaven say, "Write: Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

C: "Yes," says the Spirit, "they will rest from their labor, for their deeds will follow them." *(Revelation 14:13)*

M: For the saints of the Most High will receive the kingdom and will possess it forever -

C: yes, for ever and ever! *(Daniel 7:18)*

Confession & Absolution of Sins

In the confession of sins, we acknowledge our sins and ask God to forgive them. The absolution gives and assures us that we are forgiven by the substitutionary life and death of Jesus Christ.

M: Beloved in the Lord, we desire to enjoy God's presence here in his house, and eventually, to join together with all the saints triumphant in heaven. Yet we have disobeyed God, and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (†) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: O Lord, my God, I called to you for help, and you answered me. I thank you for the love you have shown me in Jesus Christ, my Savior. Through him you have rescued me from the guilt of my sin and given me the peace of forgiveness. Help me fight against temptation, correct whatever wrongs I can, and serve you and those around me with love and good works. In Jesus' name, I pray. Amen.

Prayer of the Day

M: Almighty God and Savior, you have set the final day and hour when we shall be delivered from this world of sin and death. Keep us ever watchful for the coming of your Son that we may sit with him and all your holy ones at the marriage feast in heaven; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

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The Word of God

This section is the heart and high point of our service. What follows is the sure and certain Word of God that has called us to faith and strengthens our faith in Jesus as our Savior from sin, death, and the devil.

First Bible Reading: Isaiah 52:1-6

¹ Awake, awake, Zion, clothe yourself with strength! Put on your garments of splendor, Jerusalem, the holy city. The uncircumcised and defiled will not enter you again. ² Shake off your dust; rise up, sit enthroned, Jerusalem. Free yourself from the chains on your neck, Daughter Zion, now a captive. ³ For this is what the LORD says: "You were sold for nothing, and without money you will be redeemed."

⁴ For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: "At first my people went down to Egypt to live; lately, Assyria has oppressed them.

⁵ “And now what do I have here?” declares the LORD. “For my people have been taken away for nothing, and those who rule them mock,” declares the LORD. “And all day long my name is constantly blasphemed. ⁶ Therefore my people will know my name; therefore in that day they will know that it is I who foretold it. Yes, it is I.”

Second Bible Reading: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11

Now, brothers and sisters, about times and dates we do not need to write to you, ² for you know very well that the day of the Lord will come like a thief in the night. ³ While people are saying, “Peace and safety,” destruction will come on them suddenly, as labor pains on a pregnant woman, and they will not escape.

⁴ But you, brothers and sisters, are not in darkness so that this day should surprise you like a thief. ⁵ You are all children of the light and children of the day. We do not belong to the night or to the darkness. ⁶ So then, let us not be like others, who are asleep, but let us be awake and sober. ⁷ For those who sleep, sleep at night, and those who get drunk, get drunk at night. ⁸ But since we belong to the day, let us be sober, putting on faith and love as a breastplate, and the hope of salvation as a helmet. ⁹ For God did not appoint us to suffer wrath but to receive salvation through our Lord Jesus Christ. ¹⁰ He died for us so that, whether we are awake or asleep, we may live together with him. ¹¹ Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.

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The Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:1-13

“At that time the kingdom of heaven will be like ten virgins who took their lamps and went out to meet the bridegroom. ² Five of them were foolish and five were wise. ³ The foolish ones took their lamps but did not take any oil with them. ⁴ The wise ones, however, took oil in jars along with their lamps. ⁵ The bridegroom was a long time in coming, and they all became drowsy and fell asleep.

⁶ "At midnight the cry rang out: 'Here's the bridegroom! Come out to meet him!'

⁷ "Then all the virgins woke up and trimmed their lamps. ⁸ The foolish ones said to the wise, 'Give us some of your oil; our lamps are going out.'

⁹ " 'No,' they replied, 'there may not be enough for both us and you. Instead, go to those who sell oil and buy some for yourselves.'

¹⁰ "But while they were on their way to buy the oil, the bridegroom arrived. The virgins who were ready went in with him to the wedding banquet. And the door was shut.

¹¹ "Later the others also came. 'Lord, Lord,' they said, 'open the door for us!'

¹² "But he replied, 'Truly I tell you, I don't know you.'

¹³ "Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour."

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord.

C: Alleluia! Faith comes from hearing the message, and the message is heard through the Word of Christ. Alleluia!

Confession of Faith: The Apostles' Creed

The Creed is a summary of the Christian faith and a confession of the whole Christian Church on earth.

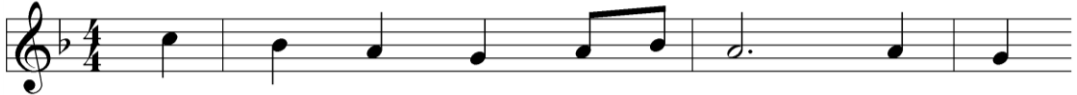
All: I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

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Hymn of the Day: CW 555 *For All Your Saints, O Lord*



1 For all your saints, O Lord, Who strove
 2 For all your saints, O Lord, Who strove
 3 They all in life and death, With you,
 4 For this your name we bless And hum -



in you to live, Who fol - lowed you, o -
 in you to die, Who count - ed you their
 their Lord, in view, Learned from your Ho - ly
 bly pray a - new That we like them in



beyed, a - dored, Our grate - ful hymn re - ceive.
 great re - ward, Ac - cept our thank - ful cry.
 Spir - it's breath To suf - fer and to do.
 ho - li - ness May live and die in you.

Sermon on Matthew 25:1-13

The sermon, for the most part, is a one-sided conversation from the pastor meant to apply God's Word to your life. In order to help with this application, consider these questions during or after the sermon.

- 1) How can I be ready for when Jesus returns for me?

Thank Offering to God

The offering is an opportunity for us to return thanks to God. Prompted by the forgiveness of sins given to us through our crucified and risen Savior, Jesus Christ, we give of our time, talents, and treasures, which also support the Gospel ministry done at Light of the Valley. You can place your offering in the offering plates on a stool outside the doors to the sanctuary. You can also set up electronic giving with GivePlus from Vanco, which you can find on our website (www.lotvlayton.org) under the "Worship" tab or download it from any app store and start using it today. Another way is to "Give By Text" by texting to 833-946-1361 the amount you wish to donate, using the \$ before the amount; then follow the instructions in the reply text. If you encounter any problems, contact our Financial Secretary, Ben Heidfeld (435-740-0643; finsec@lotvlayton.org).

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Prayer of the Church

The Lord invites our prayers and asks that Christians pray for many people and circumstances. He promises to listen to them and respond according to his will in a way that is best for us. With that in mind, we approach our God with confidence and faith in him and his promises.

M: Salvation belongs to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!

C: By Christ's blood, the Father sees us, his believers, as saints – spotless, without blemish, holy, righteous, perfect. As saints, we fight the good fight of faith by the Spirit's power, by Word and Sacrament. Every day, we fight this fight to be sealed in Christ's righteousness, which is presently ours. It is for this reason - our status and our fight - we are called the "Saints Militant."

M: But there are other saints, who have already fought the good fight. These are the ones who stood their ground by the Spirit's power until the end. They reached the goal and have been sealed in Christ's righteousness for all eternity. They are where we are headed. They are where we long to be. We give thanks to God for his saving grace, for their status and victory. We give thanks that we can now call them the "Saints Triumphant."

Silent prayer.

During this time, we offer prayers of thanksgiving for those Christian loved ones who were called to their heavenly reward. What follows is a list of Saints Triumphant who were under the spiritual care of our congregation when they entered their eternal glory.

Duane Longstaff	Thomas Henderson	David McGarr
Max Cunningham	Elizabeth Cantarella	Jean Shanks
John Toomey	Kay Spaid	Norm Eggleston
JoAnn Jackson	Don Spaid	Dina Arteaga
Tomie Simonson	Beverly Pokarth	Betty Chilia
Dick Elliott	Midge Wright	Kevin Scribner Sr.
Estiel "Andy" Jackson	Marilyn Payne	Joyce Eggleston
Maurice "Mo" Uhlhorn	JD Payne	Karen Curtis
Ron Huemiller	Jan Stratton	Larry "Tony" Anthony
Monte Green		

M: Heavenly Father, we recall with gratitude what you have done for us and for your Church through these saints. May their good works, which were prompted by your love in Christ and performed to your glory while here on earth, encourage us to live for you. As we join our worship and work with theirs, may we acknowledge ourselves to be part of that great cloud of witnesses from every age and place.

C: Uphold your promise to use your Word and Sacraments to keep us in the faith so that, when our work on earth is done, we may join the saints triumphant. We praise our Lord for "he is not the God of the dead, but of the living, for to him all are alive."

Special prayers and petitions may follow.

M: Gracious Father, with the confidence that you will hear us and with the faith that you will respond for our welfare, we pray boldly as Jesus taught us...

All: 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.

The Sacrament of the Lord's Supper



Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he returns.

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And also with you.

M: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them up to the Lord.

M: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give him thanks and praise.

M: Praise to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ! In love he has blessed us with every spiritual blessing. He protects and preserves his Church in every age and gives us confidence to lift up our heads and watch for Jesus with joy. Now have come the salvation and the power and the kingdom of our God and the authority of his Christ. To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and thanks and honor and glory for ever and ever

C: Holy, Holy, Holy is the Lord of hosts. The whole earth is full of your glory. I give you thanks for you have become my salvation!

Words of Institution

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: O Christ, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us and grant us your peace. Amen.

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Distribution



On the basis of what God's Word says, the Lord's Supper is an expression of unity in beliefs. Therefore, we kindly ask that only confirmed members of Light of the Valley and of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod partake of Holy Communion. We encourage those who would like to receive Holy Communion with us to speak with the Pastor before doing so.

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Post Communion Prayer

M: Hear the prayer of your people, O Lord, that the lips which have praised you here may glorify you in the world, that the eyes which have seen the coming of your Son may long for his coming again, and that all who have received in his true body and blood the pledge of your forgiveness may be restored to live a new and holy life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Blessing

As we close our worship service, we leave with direct blessings from our Lord and God, using the words that God gave to Aaron the High Priest to bless the Israelites (Numbers 6:22-27).

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.

Closing Hymn: CW 451 *Precious Lord, Take My Hand*

1 Pre - cious Lord, take my hand, Lead me on, let me
 2 When my way grows drear, Pre - cious Lord, lin - ger
 3 When the dark - ness ap - pears And the night draws

stand; I am tired, I am weak, I am worn.
 near, When my life is al - most gone,
 near And the day is al - most gone,

Through the storm, through the night, Lead me on to the
 Hear my cry, hear my call; Hold my hand lest I
 At the riv - er I stand; Guide my feet, hold my

light. Take my hand, pre-cious Lord; Lead me home.
 fall. Take my hand, pre-cious Lord; Lead me home.
 hand, Take my hand, pre-cious Lord; Lead me home.

Take a moment to reflect on today's message, one of the Bible readings, or on a hymn during the service. Following the announcements, please dismiss yourself by rows. For those who volunteered to sanitize, please meet in the kitchen. Pastor will greet you at the front doors. Have a blessed week!

Announcements

Exodus Bible Study

We are studying *Exodus* Sundays at 9:15 am. Join in person at church or via Google Meet (meet.google.com/pqv-rkqb-zjo). These study sessions are uploaded on our Youtube channel afterwards.

New Meditations Daily Devotions

The latest edition of our daily devotional booklet *Meditations* is here and is on the member information table by the bulletin board between the restrooms. Help yourself to a copy and maybe another to share with a friend.

Arts & Crafts

You are invited to join in for an afternoon of art and craft projects on Tuesday, November 17 starting at 1:00 pm. Contact Brenda Kidd (sahrow@yahoo.com; 801-663-0015) to RSVP and find out about upcoming projects.

Lutheran Recovery Group

On Tuesday nights at 7:00 pm at church, we have a recovery support group to strengthen each other through God's Word to fight addictions of any kind. Contact Faith York (920-691-2332; gizmo619@sbcglobal.net) to join these meetings in person or online.

Men's Group Bible Study & Supper Postponed

Being mindful of the COVID-19 pandemic and recent state health orders, we have decided to postpone the men's group Bible study until January 16, 2021 at 5:00 pm.

Thanksgiving Eve Worship

Mark your calendar for our Thanksgiving Eve worship on Wednesday, November 25 at 7:00 pm. All our offerings given during that night will go towards our assistance fund.

Christmas Outreach

We are planning to put together special Christmas gifts as an invite for people to join us for worship on Christmas Eve either in person or online. Can you donate hot chocolate packets or candy canes? Can you donate your time putting these gifts together or dropping them off on doorsteps? Sign up on the bulletin board today to help. If you are donating hot chocolate or candy canes, please bring them to church by December 6.

Christmas Decorating at Church

On Sunday, November 29 immediately following the 10:30 am service, we will break out our Christmas decorations and set them up here at church. Many hands make light the work. Hope that you can stay and help.

Fall Cleanup Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped with our fall cleanup!

This Week at LOTV

Sunday, November 15	8:00 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Bible Study for All Ages
	10:30 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion
	12:00 pm	Outreach Meeting
Monday, November 16	7:00 pm	Worship w/ Holy Communion
Tuesday, November 17	1:00 pm	Arts & Crafts
	7:00 pm	Lutheran Recovery Group
Thursday, November 19	7:00 pm	AA Meeting
Sunday, November 22	8:00 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion
	9:15 am	Bible Study for All Ages
	10:30 am	Worship w/ Holy Communion

Church Membership: What Does it Mean?



There are over 80 member households at Light of the Valley (LOTV). Church membership is the tangible connection to the family of faith that is our congregation. It is a connection consisting of *unity* in the Bible's teachings and *commitment* to the mission, ministry, and members of this congregation.

Participation in the Sacrament of the Lord's Supper at LOTV says, among other things, that you are so united and committed to this congregation.

Our Bible Information Class (BIC) explains the Bible's teachings as confessed by our Lutheran church. It also explains the mission and ministry of this congregation so that inquirers can decide if they want to be committed members of it. Contact Pastor Klein for the next offering. You can also listen the lessons on our church website by clicking on the "Learn" and then the "Bible Information Class" tabs on the main front-page menu.