



**WELCOME TO**  
**ST. JOHN'S LUTHERAN CHURCH & SCHOOL**  
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Winston-Salem, NC 27103  
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**THE LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR**

**November 22, 2020 – 10:00 a.m.**

***St. John's Mission: To help one more person get to Heaven  
by pointing them to Jesus Christ.***

**Prelude “Fanfares on All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name”** (#549, Hymnal) set  
by Robert Lau

*(Please Stand)*

**Call To Worship**

P: Teach us to number our days, O Lord!

**C: We know that our Redeemer Lives!**

P: Man is like the grass of the field, here today and gone tomorrow.

**C: We know that, in our flesh, we shall see God.**

P: These, all have died in faith, not having received the promises; but having seen them afar off, they were assured of them and they confessed that they were strangers and pilgrims on the earth. *Hebrews 11:13*

**C: We know that in God's house are many rooms and that Jesus has prepared a place for us.**

P: All praise to the Triune God; Giver of Eternal Life; Father Son, and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

**Confession & Forgiveness**

**All: O, Almighty God, we do confess that we are not worthy to live forever with You in the Holy Joy that is heaven. We do not deserve Your eternal love and blessing – not by who we are, or by what we have done. But, by faith, we rejoice in Your forgiveness and grace in Jesus. We claim the gift of eternal life, purchased for us through His blood. For the sake of your Perfect and Beloved Son – grant us everlasting life in heaven.**

P: Jesus, our Savior, has opened the door of heaven for us. He has removed the sin that barred our way. He has defeated death and turned it into victory. Rejoice in and with Jesus. God has freely given you the gift of eternal life. Amen.

*(Be Seated)*

**First Lesson: Psalm 24**

The earth *is* the LORD's, and all its fullness,  
The world and those who dwell therein.

<sup>2</sup>For He has founded it upon the seas,  
And established it upon the waters.

<sup>3</sup>Who may ascend into the hill of the LORD?  
Or who may stand in His holy place?

<sup>4</sup>He who has clean hands and a pure heart,  
Who has not lifted up his soul to an idol,

Nor sworn deceitfully.

<sup>5</sup> He shall receive blessing from the LORD,  
And righteousness from the God of his salvation.

<sup>6</sup> This *is* Jacob, the generation of those who seek Him,

**Who seek Your face.**

<sup>7</sup> Lift up your heads, O you gates!  
And be lifted up, you everlasting doors!  
And the King of glory shall come in.

<sup>8</sup> Who *is* this King of glory?

The LORD strong and mighty,  
The LORD mighty in battle.

<sup>9</sup> Lift up your heads, O you gates!  
Lift up, you everlasting doors!  
And the King of glory shall come in.

<sup>10</sup> Who is this King of glory?

The LORD of hosts,  
He *is* the King of glory.

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

### **Second Lesson 1 John 3:1-2**

Behold what manner of love the Father has bestowed on us, that we should be called children of God! Therefore the world does not know us, because it did not know Him. <sup>2</sup> Beloved, now we are children of God; and it has not yet been revealed what we shall be, but we know that when He is revealed, we shall be like Him, **for we shall see Him as He is**

L: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*(Please Stand)*

### **Holy Gospel: John 17:24-26**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the seventeenth chapter.

**C: Glory to You, O Lord.**

<sup>24</sup> “Father, I desire that they also whom You gave Me may be with Me where I am, **that they may behold My glory** which You have given Me; for You loved Me before the foundation of the world. <sup>25</sup> O righteous Father! The world has not known You, but I have known You; and these have known that You sent Me. <sup>26</sup> And I have declared to them Your name, and will declare *it*, that the love with which You loved Me may be in them, and I in them.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: 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.**

*(Be Seated)*

### **Children’s Message**

**New Sermon Series: “Heaven is Real”**

**Today’s Message: “A Real Vision”**

**Music for Meditation: “At the Name of Jesus” (#512, Hymnal) set by Robert J. Powell**

## † Service of the Sacrament †

### **Preface**

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

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

### **Sanctus**

P: Holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might:

Heaven and earth are full of Your glory.

Hosanna. Hosanna.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

### **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.**

**Words of our Lord**

### **Peace of the Lord**

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: Amen**

### **Words of Institution**

*(Be Seated)*

**Distribution:** (Please maintain 6 feet safe space during Holy Communion)

**Music during Communion:** **“Lift High the Cross”** (#837, Hymnal)

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

## **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**

## **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace and serve the Lord!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude: “Jesus Shall Reign”** (#832, Hymnal) set by Raymond H, Haan

**Altar Flowers:** are given to the Glory of God by Mark & Beth Meier in honor of Christ the King and his mercy.

## **Worship Leaders:**

10:00am – Steve Anderson; 11:15am – Bob Burke

## **Lector:**

10:00am – Cheryl Wulfert; 11:15am – Claudia Essbach

**Altar Guild for November:** Sue & Ted Frake, Sarah Strahm, Mary Rochester

## **Crisis Control Item of the Month: Sugar, Flour, Baking Items**

If you would like to donate food to Crisis Control Ministry. Please drop the food off in the basket in the back of the church. Thank you for your consideration of this request.

**65 lbs. of food was collected for the month of October! Thank you all for your generous donations!**

## **Poinsettia Sign-Ups**

Signup now to help decorate the church. The signup sheets are in the back of the sanctuary by the book to signup for weekly flowers. Please take an envelope to put the payment in and put that in the offering plate. The price is the same as last year \$13.00. If you are not attending services yet, feel free to call Mary Rochester or Kerstin at the church. We don't have a long time to order them as the **deadline is Tuesday, December 1, 2020.** Thank you all in advance.

**Thanksgiving Eve Worship – Wednesday, November 25, 2020 – 7:00pm**





***Our Sunday Worship - Services are at currently 10:00 am (Traditional) and 11:15am (The Well, Contemporary)***

*Please check our website for any changes to these services*

***A Great Place to Grow in Christ***

*As a part of our outreach ministry, we have a  
Preschool/Pre-K program and Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade.  
All programs/grades have full-time care available.*

**Pastor Thomas Clocker, 301-732-9203, revclocker@gmail.com**

**Nathan Kottowski, Principal**

**Sonia Davidson, Director of Preschool**

**Michael Zeoli, Director of Music for Contemporary Worship**

**Frances Burmeister, Director of Music for Traditional Worship**

Church Office Hours Monday through Thursday, 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.