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EVERLASTING DOMINION
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Daniel 7:14b

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☞ WELCOME ☞

Welcome to all in the name of the Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit! If you are a guest today, we welcome you and invite you to worship with us again. Please sign our guest register.

☞ ORDER OF WORSHIP ☞

OPENING PRAYER

P: O Lord, our Maker, Redeemer, and Comforter, we are assembled in Your presence to hear Your holy Word. We pray You to open our hearts by Your Holy Spirit, that through the preaching of Your Word we may be taught to repent of our sins, to believe on Jesus in life and death, and to grow day by day in grace and holiness. Hear us for Christ's sake. Amen.

HYMN (*INSERT*) vv. 1, 2

See This Wonder in the Making

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (*INSERT*)

HYMN (*INSERT*) vv. 3, 4

See This Wonder in the Making

THE SALUTATION

P: The Lord be with you.

C: [sing, p. 45] **And with your spirit.**

THE GLORIA IN EXCELSIS DEO (*Glory to God in the Highest*)

P: Glory be to God in the highest.

C: [sing p. 44] **And on earth peace, good will toward men.**

All glory be to God on high Who hath our race befriended!

To us no harm shall now come nigh, The strife at last is ended;

God showeth His good will to men, And peace shall dwell on earth again;

O thank Him for His Goodness!

THE COLLECT (Prayer of the Day)

C: Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: [sing, p. 45] Amen.

READINGS — Christian Worship 3-Year Series (All readings from the NEW INTERNATIONAL VERSION)

The Old Testament — Daniel 7: 13, 14

“In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.

The Epistle — Revelation 1: 4b-8

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.

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.

“Look, he is coming with the clouds,”
and “every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him”;
and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.”
So shall it be! Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.”

The Holy Gospel — John 18: 33-37

Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

“Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?”

“Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?”

Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

“You are a king, then!” said Pilate.

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.”

RESPONSE

P: Here end the Scripture readings.

C: [sing, p. 46] **God be prais-éd for His glad tidings.**

THE CREED

P: Having heard God’s Word, we confess our Christian faith using the words of the Apostles Creed.

**C: I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth.
And 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 shall 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.**

C: [sing, p. 46} **Amen.**

HYMN 414

Through Jesus' Blood and Merit

THE SERMON

“A New Heaven and a New Earth”

Revelation 21:1-8

HYMN VERSE

**Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and renew a right spirit within me.
Cast me not away from Your presence,
and take not Your Holy Spirit from me.
Restore unto me the joy of Your salvation,
and uphold me with Your free Spirit. Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

LORD'S PRAYER

**C: 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 APOSTOLIC BENEDICTION

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all. Amen.

OFFERING

HYMN VERSE

**We give Thee but Thine own, Whate're the gift may be;
All that we have is Thine alone, A trust, O Lord, from Thee.**

HYMN 554

For All the Saints

THE COLLECT

P: Lord God, our heavenly Father, we thank You, that of Your great mercy You have given us Your holy and blessed Word, by which You gather Your people into Your Christian Church. We humbly ask, grant us Your Holy Spirit, that we receive Your Word with thankful hearts, and live according to it, and ever increase in Christian faith, and hope, and love, and finally obtain eternal salvation; through Jesus Christ, Your beloved Son, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.

C: [sing p. 58] **Amen.**

THE 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 on you with favor and give you peace.

C: [sing p. 59] **Amen, amen, amen.**

HYMN 588

Lord, Dismiss Us with Thy Blessing

CLOSING PRAYER

P: O Lord, we render unto You our heartfelt thanks that You have taught us what You would have us believe and do. Help us, O God, by Your Holy Spirit, for the sake of Jesus Christ, to keep Your Word in pure hearts, that we thereby may be strengthened in faith, perfected in holiness, and comforted in life and death.
Amen.

Musician: Shelly Thompson



"In this ark a few, that is, eight souls, were saved by water. And corresponding to that, baptism now saves you."

1 Peter 3:20-21 (EHV)



Midweek Advent Schedule

Wednesday, December 5
Wednesday, December 12
Wednesday, December 19

Supper at 6:00 p.m. Worship at 7:00 p.m.

If you would like to help with food for the supper,
please sign up on the sheet in the kitchen.



Our mission is to proclaim the gospel of Christ through the pure word and sacraments, witnessing to the lost, and nurturing fellow believers so that they may grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord. This we do through worship, education, service, and fellowship.



❧ ANNOUNCEMENTS ❧



Don Jacobson

LAST WEEK

29 people, out of love for Jesus, offered \$1,117 of which \$60 was for Missions.

BAPTISM

Elynn Mae Ruth, infant daughter of Jessica and Kenneth Anderson, will become a child of God through the water of Baptism this morning. The Baptism will take place between the 2nd and 3rd verse of the hymn "See This Wonder In the Making" (an insert in the bulletin). Also note the other insert which is the Order of Service for the Baptism. Read and reread the wonderful words of the hymn...they are just so special.

CALL

As of this writing, no word has been received from Pastor Schmeling regarding the Call that you have extended to him to be your next pastor. Please keep him in your prayers as he deliberates as to where he should serve.

ADVENT

Special Wednesday Advent Services will begin on Dec. 5th at 7:00 p.m. The Service is preceded by a supper in the basement of the church. Please take note of these special 3 Wednesday Services.

CLEANUP

Much work has been done to organize our storage areas and prepare the parsonage for a new pastor, but more needs to be done. Saturday mornings have been set aside for work in the parsonage, but any time you are available to help will work. All type of skills can be used.

PRAYERS

You are encouraged to keep the following members of our congregation in your prayers...members who are confined to nursing homes, sick or something other: Eileen Brekken, Boyd Daley, Charlotte Nelson, and Lois Pieper. If you know of others who might be added to this list, please inform Pastor Kock.

JUST A THOUGHT

"God welcomes the biggest of turkeys!"