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**November 13, 2022**

**9:00 am**

**RINGING OF THE BELLS**

**WELCOME**

**LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES**

**OPENING HYMN: "Holy, Holy, Holy" LSB #507**

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to Thee;  
Holy, holy, holy! merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore Thee,  
Casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
Cherubim and seraphim falling down before Thee,  
Which wert and art and evermore shalt be.

Holy, holy, holy! Though the darkness hide Thee,  
Though the eye of sinful man Thy glory may not see,  
Only Thou art holy; there is none beside Thee,  
Perfect in pow'r, in love, and purity.

Holy, holy, holy! Lord God Almighty!  
All Thy works shall praise Thy name in earth and sky and sea.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!

**CONFESSION/ABSOLUTION**

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen.**

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**Congregation: But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.**

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

Pastor: Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**Congregation: Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name.**

**Amen**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Congregation: Amen**

**HYMN OF PRAISE: "What a Friend We Have In Jesus " LSB #770**

What a friend we have in Jesus,  
all our sins and griefs to bear!  
What a privilege to carry  
everything to God in prayer!  
O what peace we often forfeit,  
O what needless pain we bear,  
all because we do not carry  
everything to God in prayer!

Have we trials and temptations?  
Is there trouble anywhere?  
We should never be discouraged;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Can we find a friend so faithful  
who will all our sorrows share?  
Jesus knows our every weakness;  
take it to the Lord in prayer!

Are we weak and heavy laden,  
cumbered with a load of care?  
Precious Savior, still our refuge--  
take it to the Lord in prayer!  
Do your friends despise, forsake you?  
Take it to the Lord in prayer!  
In his arms he'll take and shield you;  
you will find a solace there.

**PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Pastor: Let us pray. Almighty and gracious Lord, pour out Your Holy Spirit on Your faithful people. Keep us steadfast in Your grace and truth, protect and deliver us in times of temptation, defend us against all enemies, and grant to Your Church Your saving peace; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**People: Amen.**

**FIRST READING: Malachi 4:1-6**

“For behold, the day is coming, burning like an oven, when all the arrogant and all evildoers will be stubble. The day that is coming shall set them ablaze, says the Lord of hosts, so that it will leave them neither root nor branch. **2** But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness shall rise with healing in its wings. You shall go out leaping like calves from the stall. **3** And you shall tread down the wicked, for they will be ashes under the soles of your feet, on the day when I act, says the Lord of hosts. **4** “Remember the law of my servant Moses, the statutes and rules that I commanded him at Horeb for all Israel. **5** “Behold, I will send you Elijah the prophet before the great and awesome day of the Lord comes. **6** And he will turn the hearts of fathers to their children and the hearts of children to their fathers, lest I come and strike the land with a decree of utter destruction.”

P: This is the Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**SECOND READING: 2 Thessalonians 3:1–13**

Finally, brothers, pray for us, that the word of the Lord may speed ahead and be honored, as happened among you, **2** and that we may be delivered from wicked and evil men. For not all have faith. **3** But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one. **4** And we have confidence in the Lord about you, that you are doing and will do the things that we command. **5** May the Lord direct your hearts to the love of God and to the steadfastness of Christ.

**6** Now we command you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you keep away from any brother who is walking in idleness and not in accord with the tradition that you received from us. **7** For you yourselves know how you ought to imitate us, because we were not idle when we were with you, **8** nor did we eat anyone's bread without paying for it, but with toil and labor we worked night and day, that we might not be a burden to any of you. **9** It was not because we do not have that right, but to give you in ourselves an example to imitate. **10** For even when we were with you, we would give you this command: If anyone is not willing to work, let him not eat. **11** For we hear that some among you walk in idleness, not busy at work, but busybodies. **12** Now such persons we command and encourage in the Lord Jesus Christ to do their work quietly and to earn their own living. **13** As for you, brothers, do not grow weary in doing good.

P: This Is the Word of The Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**THE HOLY GOSPEL: Luke 21: 25-28**

P: The Holy Gospel according to St Luke the 21st Chapter

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

“And there will be signs in sun and moon and stars, and on the earth distress of nations in perplexity because of the roaring of the sea and the waves, people fainting with fear and with foreboding of what is coming on the world. For the powers of the heavens will be shaken. And then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. Now when these things begin to take place, straighten up and raise your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

P: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

### **APOSTLES' CREED**

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 sits 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.

### **HYMN OF THE DAY: “How Great Thou Art” LSB #801**

O Lord my God, When I in awesome wonder,  
Consider all the worlds Thy Hands have made;  
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,  
Thy power throughout the universe displayed.

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

When through the woods, and forest glades I wander,  
And hear the birds sing sweetly in the trees.  
When I look down, from lofty mountain grandeur  
And see the brook, and feel the gentle breeze.

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

And when I think, that God, His Son not sparing;  
Sent Him to die, I scarce can take it in;  
That on a Cross, my burdens gladly bearing,  
He bled and died to take away my sin.

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

When Christ shall come, with shout of acclamation,  
And take me home, what joy shall fill my heart.  
Then I shall bow, in humble adoration,  
And then proclaim: "My God, how great Thou art!"

Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art.  
Then sings my soul, My Savior God, to Thee,  
How great Thou art, How great Thou art!

## SERMON

**Pastor Jesus Morales**

**OFFERING/PRAYER CARDS** - *The offering plate is located on the rear table for you to place your offering in as you enter or leave church. **When the offering is received, an usher will bring it forward, along with any prayer cards, to the altar. If you have any prayers to include, please pass them to the usher as they come forward.** For those who are worshipping at home, you may continue to mail your offerings to the church office, Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church, 0S501 Summit Dr. Winfield, IL 60190. Thank you!*

## PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Lord, You are our God forever and ever. You are our salvation, and in Jesus Christ, Your Son, You have delivered us out of all our troubles. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

We glorify You, Lord God, that You have given such authority to men to forgive sins in the name of Jesus Christ, whose blood has made atonement for the sins of the world. Focus every word and deed of Your ministers in the Church toward this Office of the Keys, that the Gospel may predominate in our worship and life together. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, restore to all Christian hearts the joy of Your salvation by the blood of Christ, and make us eager to hear the voice of the Gospel in the forgiveness of sins. So, in turn, lead every Christian household — husbands, wives and children — to speak the truth with our neighbors and to forgive one another as Christ has forgiven us. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Almighty God, preserve the lives of all our leaders. Even as You rule the world by Your mighty power, be pleased to give wisdom to our nation, that it may have peace and success in accordance with Your commandments. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Lord God, Your Son healed the sick and the broken. Hear our prayers for those in need among us, [*especially \_\_\_\_\_,*] and grant them healing now and resurrection at the Last Day. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

O Lord, just as in Adam all will die, so also in Your Son, Christ, shall all be made alive. Bless the grief of the bereaved, and fix their hope on the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins and the life everlasting. Lord, in Your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into Your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in Your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Lord, For it was He who taught us to pray, together in one voice we pray,

**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.**

#### **BENEDICTION**

Pastor: May the God of peace, the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, bring peace, calm, and hope to your week.

**People: Amen.**

#### **CLOSING HYMN: “Come, Holy Ghost, God and Lord” LSB #497**

Come Holy Ghost, God and Lord, With all Your graces now outpoured  
On each believer’s mind and heart; Your fervent love to them impart.  
Lord, by the brightness of Your light in holy faith Your Church unite;  
From every land and every tongue, This to Your praise, O Lord, our God, be sung:  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Light, guide divine, Now cause the Word of life to shine.  
Teach us to know our God aright, And call Him Father with delight.  
From every error keep us free; Let none but Christ our master be  
That we in living faith abide, In Him our Lord, with all our might confide.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

Come Holy Fire, comfort true, Grant us the will Your work to do  
And in your service to abide; Let trials turn us not aside.  
Lord, by Your power prepare each heart, And to our weakness strength impart  
That bravely here we may contend, Through Life and death to You, our Lord, ascend.  
Alleluia, alleluia!



**TODAY'S ALTAR FLOWERS ARE GIVEN TO THE GLORY OF GOD AND IN LOVING MEMORY OF DOROTHY MISCH, BY DAWN ZIEMER.**

**TODAY IS OUR VOTERS' MEETING at 10:15 am**, immediately following our 9 am worship service. We hope you will be able to attend this important meeting.

**THANKSGIVING EVE WORSHIP – Please join us for worship on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 4:00 pm.** This uplifting service will help us all join together in giving thanks as we reflect on God's blessings in our lives. Hope you can join us!

**PLEASE REMEMBER THAT PRAYER CARDS ARE LOCATED IN THE CHURCH PEWS AND CAN BE USED FOR PRAYERS ON SUNDAY MORNING.** An usher will collect these cards during the service, and they will be presented to Pastor Jesus during our offering, when they will be added to our congregation prayers. If you would like a prayer shared with all members via email or on the "Prayer Corner" church website, contact Deb Odefey (1-630-209-9918) for the "Prayer Chain" and she will make sure your prayer request is communicated to our church family.

**PASTOR JESUS IS NOW HOLDING A NEW MEMBER CLASS FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE INTERESTED IN JOINING CHRIST OUR SAVIOR.** The class currently meets at church on Friday evenings from 6:30 to 8:00 pm, and it features a 12-week course titled "God Connects." It helps to answer questions such as, *Why Jesus?... Why the Bible? ...Who is the Holy Spirit?*, as well as provide valuable information about our church doctrine and the Christian life. If you are interested in becoming a member, please see Pastor Jesus and he will give you more information about joining this class, or tell you when the next class may be scheduled.



**DURING NOVEMBER'S MISSION MONTH, WE WOULD LIKE TO INTRODUCE YOU TO FEYISSA MULETA, AN ETHIOPIAN MISSIONARY FROM TENSAE CHURCH.** Feyissa hails from a small village in Ethiopia, where he became the first in his family to accept the gift of salvation through Jesus Christ.

Feyissa moved to the US in July 2016 to study theology. While in the USA, he has been serving

Tensae church for the past six years, helping train ministry leaders and covering roughly about one-third of the preaching ministry on Sundays. He recently completed his master's and doctorate studies at Trinity Evangelical Divinity School (Deerfield, IL) in Educational Studies to provide leadership training to pastors, missionaries and lay people who will preach the Gospel to Ethiopians, primarily in rural areas where the need is the greatest. He and his family recently returned to Ethiopia as a mission team member with Campus Crusade.

With more than 120 million people, Ethiopia is a young nation with a median age of 19. Evangelical Christianity has grown from 3% in the 1970s to over 20%. He has a close connection to the LCMS church in Ethiopia, which is the largest and fastest growing Christian denomination in Ethiopia. He was married in an LCMS church to his wife, Mihiret. They have two sons: Yonatan (8) and Hananel (4).

**PRAYER NEEDS:** Please pray for Feyissa, Mihiret and their children as they serve in Ethiopia. Pray God gives their entire family strength and peace as they transition back to overseas mission work. Pray also for their continued health and safety, especially during the country's current political and military unrest. Please also pray the hearts of people here in the United States are moved to pray for and to financially support missionaries like Feyissa so they can "go with" this family on their journey of faith. Let us give thanks to God that Feyissa, Mihiret and their family have answered the call to serve His people in Ethiopia.

**NEXT WEEK:** You will learn more about Feyissa's journey of faith to receive Christ and what led him to become a missionary. Please consider supporting the important work of Feyissa and Missionaries around the world through prayer and your Mission offerings.

**HELP SPREAD THE NEWS!....CHRIST OUR SAVIOR'S SPANISH WORSHIP SERVICE IS OFF TO A GREAT START!** Our service in Spanish for our Spanish-speaking friends in Christ is on Sundays from 11 am to Noon. This is an important ministry and Christ Our Savior wants to reach out to Winfield and our neighboring communities to meet the growing need. Please pray for the success of this new ministry, and help spread the word to those who may be interested! Be sure to say hello to our Spanish friends and make them all feel welcome at Christ Our Savior!

**VOLUNTEERS FOR SUNDAY FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE 9 AM SERVICE ARE NEEDED! THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO HAS HELPED TO BRING TREATS!** If you would like to help with our fellowship of coffee and treats on Sunday morning after our 9 am service, we would love to have you bring a treat for our members! The coffee and water is provided, but we need volunteers who can provide a sweet treat (coffee cake, cookies, muffins, breads, etc.) to share with everyone. Interested? There's a sign-up sheet on the back table where you can sign up for the date you want to help. Thank you!!

**CONGREGATIONAL PRAYERS** – Please pray for the following individuals who are in need of your prayers:

*Healing or receiving medical treatment:*

Edward Dring, Shirley Dring's son

Pastor Josh Schoon

Pat Gengler

Charleen Smith, Dawn Wolter's mother

Al Arbeiter

Dawn Ziemer

Dave Larson

Jeff Lasky

Monica, Mary Larson's sister, undergoing treatment and testing for cancer

Shirley Brown

Dianne, Shirley Dring's daughter

Linda, Susan Mosteller's friend

*In the military:*

Randy, nephew of Susan Mosteller

*And all cherished members who are currently shut in or resting at home.*

**PASTOR JESUS IS LEADING A CHURCH YOUTH GROUP FOR ALL YOUNG ADULTS IN OUR THREE PARTNER CHURCHES!** Stay tuned for more information about the next meeting date and location. Be sure to let your young adults know about this great opportunity to make new friends and enjoy some great fellowship!

**PLEASE NOTE PASTOR JESUS' CONTACT INFORMATION** – Pastor Jesus is available to minister to our congregation's needs at any time and welcomes the opportunity to serve you. He is available 24/7 to provide pastoral care, prayer, or information. He also makes congregation home visits or visits members in the hospital or nursing facility, or administers Holy Communion at home. If you have a need or want to request a visit, please contact him at 1-630-518-1517 or [jesusmorales466@yahoo.com](mailto:jesusmorales466@yahoo.com).

**CHRIST OUR SAVIOR IS UPDATING ITS WEB SITE AND NEW SOCIAL MEDIA PLATFORMS ARE NOW "LIVE!"**



The QR code at left can be scanned with your phone or iPad camera and you can access the church website, the Christ Our Savior YouTube channel, our Facebook page or the Instagram platform. Please check it out and see what these new, updated social media platforms are offering in our enhanced communications! Also, the church is changing its website address to "christoursaviorwinfield.com" soon. The change will provide benefits in enabling users to more quickly find our church with search engines, and make it easier to remember for future use. All of these enhancements are being done to help increase awareness of our church in the Winfield and surrounding communities. Stay tuned for more updates!

**PLEASE NOTE OUR SPECIAL FUNDS ARE CONTINUING IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP.**

We thank our members for their generosity in supporting our various special funds that are helping us in our ministry at Christ Our Savior. Donations in any amount are gratefully accepted – just indicate the fund and the amount of your donation on your check or offering envelope when you place it in the offering plate. The funds include:

PARSONAGE FUND  
PARKING LOT FUND  
BLESSING BOX FUND  
BENEVOLENT FUND

We sincerely appreciate your support and generosity!

**OUR BLESSING BOX CONTINUES TO BE A BLESSING TO OUR COMMUNITY!** If you are able, please consider picking up a few items during your regular shopping trips to help those less fortunate and dropping off items for our Blessing Box. *The most needed items currently include all kinds of paper products, disposable baby diapers, personal hygiene products, and detergents.* Contributions of non-perishable food items are also appreciated. All items may be placed directly in the box at the edge of the church parking lot, or in the bin at the rear of the sanctuary. Cash contributions are also welcome. Thank you all for your generosity and support!

**OUR BENEVOLENT FUND** provides confidential emergency assistance to members who are in need of financial, spiritual or other temporary support, such as housing assistance, help paying for medical or prescription expenses, or help during hard times due to lack of employment. Please contact Pastor Jesus in person to discuss your needs, or you may contact him by phone at 1-630-518-1517.

**REMEMBER TO BRING IN YOUR POP TABS FOR RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE!** The aluminum tabs you pull to open soda, soup and other cans are recycled by United Scrap Metal, who buys the pop tabs at a market rate and makes an additional contribution to Ronald McDonald House. There's a large collection bottle on the back table for your convenience. Thanks so much for your help in collecting tabs and making a big difference!

**2022 FLOWER CHART IS ON THE NARTHEX BULLETIN BOARD! REMEMBER TO SIGN UP FOR ALTAR FLOWERS AS A REMEMBRANCE OR ON SPECIAL OCCASIONS** – If you would like to place flowers on the altar to mark a special occasion or give Glory to God, there's a sign-up calendar on the bulletin board in the church entrance to reserve a date. Just sign your name, date and occasion – and take an envelope for payment of \$30 per Sunday, with checks payable to The Altar Guild. Flowers are yours to take home after the service.