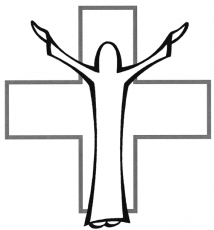


WHEN THE SON
OF MAN COMES



OUR SAVIOR

EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

November 9, 2008 End Times 2 – Last Judgment

Welcome to Our Savior Lutheran Church! In our worship service today we gather together before our Almighty God to offer him our worship and praise. We are blessed to have this same God come to us through his Word to bless us and strengthen our faith in his Son. If you are visiting today, please take a moment to sign our guest register in the entryway.

- **Restrooms** are located across from the main church entrance or through the glass doors toward our fellowship hall.
- **Cry-room.** If you have need of a cry-room, there is a children's room up the ramp toward our fellowship hall in the first classroom on the left. You can see and hear the worship service from this room.
- **Large print bulletins** are available. Speak to an usher.

TODAY'S THEME: JESUS WILL COME TO JUDGE THE WORLD

Prayer Before Worship: *Lord Jesus, I know you will return in judgment on the world. May I be found in faith in you on that day, so that in your perfection and your forgiveness, I may stand with all the righteous with you in heaven forever. Amen*

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WELCOME

OPENING HYMN: #306 "Before You, God, the Judge of All"

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 7:9-10

(Daniel sees a vision of God as the Judge of all.)

⁹"As I looked,

"thrones were set in place,
and the Ancient of Days took his seat.
His clothing was as white as snow;

the hair of his head was white like wool.
 His throne was flaming with fire,
 and its wheels were all ablaze.
¹⁰A river of fire was flowing,
 coming out from before him.
 Thousands upon thousands attended him;
 ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.
 The court was seated,
 and the books were opened.

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 90 spoken responsively

M: Lord, you have been our dwelling place

C: throughout all generations.

M: Before the mountains were born or you brought forth the earth and the world,

C: from everlasting to everlasting you are God.

M: For a thousand years in your sight are like a day that has just gone by,

C: or like a watch in the night.

M: You have set our iniquities before you,

C: our secret sins in the light of your presence.

M: You turn mortals back to dust.

C: You sweep them away in the sleep of death.

M: The length of our days is seventy years – or eighty, if we have the strength;

C: yet their span is but trouble and sorrow.

M: Teach us to number our days aright,

C: that we may gain a heart of wisdom.

M: Satisfy us in the morning with your unfailing love,

C: that we may sing for joy and be glad all our days.

SECOND LESSON: Romans 2:2-11

(God judges all, without partiality or favoritism.)

²Now we know that God's judgment against those who do such things is based on truth. ³So when you, a mere man, pass judgment on them and yet do the same things, do you think you will escape God's judgment? ⁴Or do you show contempt for the riches of his kindness, tolerance and patience, not realizing that God's kindness leads you toward repentance?

⁵But because of your stubbornness and your unrepentant heart, you are storing up wrath against yourself for the day of God's wrath, when his righteous judgment will be revealed. ⁶God "will give to each person according to what he has done." ⁷To those who by persistence in doing good seek glory, honor and immortality, he will give eternal life. ⁸But for those who are self-seeking and who reject the truth and follow evil, there will be wrath and anger. ⁹There will be trouble and distress for every human being who does evil: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile; ¹⁰but glory, honor and peace for everyone who does good: first for the Jew, then for the Gentile. ¹¹For God does not show favoritism.

VERSE OF THE DAY: Alleluia. Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. Alleluia. (Matthew 24:42 RSV)

All (sung): Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia! These words are written that we may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God. Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

(Jesus is the final judge of all people.)

³¹"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from

the goats. ³³He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

³⁴“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, ³⁶I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

³⁷“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

⁴⁰“The King will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.’

⁴¹“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴²For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

⁴⁴“They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

⁴⁵“He will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’

⁴⁶“Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

M: This is the gospel of our Lord.

C (sung): Praise be to you, O Christ!

HYMN OF THE DAY: #209 “Day of Wrath, Oh, Day of Mourning”

SERMON: Matthew 25:31-46

He Will Come to Judge the Living and the Dead

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OFFERING: *(The offering is a chance for God’s people to respond to God’s love by giving to carry on the ministry that our Lord has entrusted to us. If you are a visitor, please don’t feel obligated to financially support this ministry. You are our guest. Welcome!)*

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH AND LORD’S PRAYER: p. 32

OUR COMMUNION PRACTICE:

In the Bible our Lord gives specific instructions about the Lord’s Supper so that it is properly received and does not become spiritually harmful. (1 Corinthians 11:27) We do not want by our carelessness to cause harm to anyone. Therefore out love for our Lord and all people, we respectfully invite:

1. Those who believe in the Real Presence of Jesus’ body & blood in the sacrament (1 Corinthians 10:16)
2. Those who have been instructed, are able to examine themselves and repent of all their sins. (1 Corinthians 11:27-29)
3. Those who by their public confession of faith (i.e. church membership) know our beliefs and are united with us in our beliefs about this sacrament and all of God’s Word. (Romans 16:17; 1 Corinthians 10:17)

Visitors, please speak with pastor after church or during the week for more information.

Members of the WELS & ELS, please announce yourselves through registering or speaking with pastor before communing. **“Personal Preparation for Holy Communion”** is found on page 156 in the hymnal.

**DISTRIBUTION HYMNS: #207 “The Day Is Surely Drawing Near”
#401 “Your Works, Not Mine, O Christ”**

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CLOSING HYMN: #390 "Salvation unto Us Has Come" v. 1 & 5

SILENT PRAYER

TODAY'S SERVICE: Today is the 2nd Sunday of End Times, also known as Last Judgment. This is the day of the church year where we especially remember that Jesus is coming again and he will judge all the world. But this is a day for us to rejoice, because we remember Jesus' promise to us: we will be judged perfect and right before God because of what Jesus has done for us. Give thanks! Come, Lord Jesus!

CHRISTIAN GREETING CARDS: The Women's Guild will be placing a greeting card order with Oshkosh Church Supply again this year. This years catalog and an order sheet are on the table in the back of church. The order form will be available through Sunday, Nov. 9th. All orders will be delivered before Thanksgiving. Please take a look. There is a wonderful selection of Christmas and Everyday Cards at really great prices!

SERVING IN WORSHIP TODAY

- Pastor: Daniel Walters
- Organist: Angela Benzel
- Ushers: Team 2
Neal Heary
Renee Henry
Joanne Perelli
- Acolyte: Andrew Wendt

AUCTION: Did you know that our Communion Chalice is cracked? Unfortunately, it cannot be repaired. The Women's Guild has been diligently collecting change and saving for a new one...and that's where you come in! We are almost there! The Women's Guild is having a Theme Basket Chinese Auction on Sunday, November 16th after church to help raise the remainder of the money needed. Tickets will be sold for 50 cents each or 12 for \$5 the day of the auction. This will be a great way to get some Christmas or Birthday shopping done! If you would like to donate a theme basket for the auction please put your name on the sign-up sheet located on the table in the back of church.

FINANCIAL UPDATE FROM LAST WEEK: November 2nd

Offerings: \$2,237.43 **Total:** \$88,677.83 **Budget:** \$96,683.23
The motivation for giving is not the budget—it is the forgiveness, life and salvation given to us through Jesus Christ. We give to our God out of thanks for his free gift to us through his Son Jesus Christ.



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Our Mission Statement

Our congregation's mission is to work together for the strengthening and growth of God's Kingdom by:

- 1) worshipping, helping, and serving each other as we grow in faith; and
- 2) actively seeking to bring others to Christ.

We do this out of love for Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lived, died and rose to assure us and all people of forgiveness.

This Week at Our Savior

TODAY	Church Council c. 11:30 AM
Tue Nov. 11th	Bible Information Class #1 1:15 PM
	Evangelism Mailing Committee..... 1:30 PM
	Bible Information Class #2 6:00 PM
Wed Nov. 12th	Bible Class 7:00 PM
Sun Nov. 16th	Family Bible Hour 8:45 AM
	Worship w/ Lord's Supper 10:00 AM

Serving Next Week – Nov. 16th

- Ushers: Team 3
- Acolyte: Cara Priest
- Snacks: C. Gernold & J. Barsalou