

Sharing of the Peace.

You may be seated.

Offering

Please stand.

Offertory: *Create In Me a Clean Heart*.....page 96

Prayer

Congregation response: hear our prayer

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Pastor: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Congregation: Thanks be to God!

Closing Hymn: *Blessing and Honor* LBW #525

Purple Note request by Jodi Fjeld

Postlude

Pastor: Steve Bang

Organist/Pianist: Ruth Sheldon

Usher: Roger Peterson

Lectionary: Colette Reimann

Acolyte: Paris Reimann

... ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

Today

Noon — Secret Prayer Partners

7 p.m. Youth Group

Next Sunday, Nov. 20

9:30 a.m. Sunday School for all ages

10:15-10:45 a.m. Fellowship

11 a.m. Worship Service

Noon — Bible Study Group, potluck followed by movie

7 p.m. Youth Group

Thanksgiving Eve worship service, 7 p.m., at Sion Lutheran Church, LM. Worship service Thursday, Nov. 24, 11:15 a.m., at Immanuel Lutheran Church, FC, followed by dinner—freewill donation. Call 641-585-3152 for reservations.

Prayer List—Joni Bang, Angela Haugen, Marlys Haugen, Dale Zingg, Ben Charlson, Blanche Durby, Rex Johnson, Mike Haack, Dorothy Kall, Elaine Ritz, Monte Branstad, Eldora Reil. All prayer requests can be submitted to:

www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer; leave a message on the church answering system at 641-567-3733; or call Pastor Steve at 641-590-7894.

Welcome to West Prairie Lutheran Church!

Lutheran Congregation in Mission for Christ (LCMC) Synod

40041 150th Ave., P.O. Box 9, Leland, IA 50453 Steve Bang, pastor

Please sign the attendance sheets located at the end of each pew. If you are a visitor, please include your mailing address, and we invite you to join us again!

11 a.m.—November 13, 2016

Worship Service for the 26th Sunday after Pentecost

Prelude

Pastoral Greeting

Please stand if you are able.

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Opening Hymn: *Praise to the Lord, the Almighty*..... LBW #543

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Prayer of the Day

(All) Lord God, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, always keeping in mind the end of all things and the day of judgment, we may be stirred up to holiness of life here and may live with You forever in the world to come, through Your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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FIRST LESSON: Malachi 4:1-6

Judgment and Covenant Renewal

“Surely the day is coming; it will burn like a furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble, and the day that is coming will set them on fire,” says the LORD Almighty. “Not a root or a branch will be left to them. But for you who revere My name, the sun of righteousness will rise with healing in its rays. And you will go out and frolic like well-fed calves. Then you will trample on the wicked; they will be ashes under the soles of your feet on the day when I act,” says the LORD Almighty.

“Remember the law of My servant Moses, the decrees and laws I gave him at Horeb for all Israel.

“See, I will send the prophet Elijah to you before that great and dreadful day of the LORD comes. He will turn the hearts of the parents to their children, and the hearts of the children to their parents; or else I will come and strike the land with total destruction.”

PSALM 98 (responsively)

L: Sing to the Lord a new song, for He has done marvelous things;

C: His right hand and His holy arm have worked salvation for Him.

L: The Lord has made His salvation known and revealed His righteousness to the nations.

C: He has remembered His love and His faithfulness to the house of Israel;

L: all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.

C: Shout for joy to the Lord, all the earth, burst into jubilant song with music;

L: make music to the Lord with the harp, with the harp and the sound of singing,

C: with trumpets and the blast of the ram’s horn — shout for joy before the Lord, the King.

L: Let the sea resound, and everything in it,

C: the world, and all who live in it.

L: Let the rivers clap their hands,

C: let the mountains sing together for joy;

L: let them sing before the Lord, for He comes to judge the earth.

C: He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.

SECOND LESSON: II Thessalonians 3:6-13

Warning Against Idleness

In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, brothers and sisters, to keep away from every believer who is idle and disruptive and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. For you yourselves know how you ought to follow our example. We were not idle when we were with you, nor did we eat anyone’s food without paying for it. On the contrary, we worked night and day, laboring and toiling so that we would not be a burden to any of you. We did this, not because we do not have the right to such help, but in order to offer ourselves as a model for you to imitate. For even when we were with you, we gave you this rule: “The one who is unwilling to work shall not eat.”

We hear that some among you are idle and disruptive. They are not busy; they are busybodies. Such people we command and urge in the Lord Jesus Christ to settle down and earn the food they eat. And as for you, brothers and sisters, never tire of doing what is good.

Please stand

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GOSPEL LESSON: Luke 21:5-28

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Some of His disciples were remarking about how the temple was adorned with beautiful stones and with gifts dedicated to God. But Jesus said, “As for what you see here, the time will come when not one stone will be left on another; every one of them will be thrown down.”

“Teacher,” they asked, “when will these things happen? And what will be the sign that they are about to take place?”

He replied: “Watch out that you are not deceived. For many will come in My name, claiming, ‘I am He,’ and, ‘The time is near.’ Do not follow them. When you hear of wars and uprisings, do not be frightened. These things must happen first, but the end will not come right away.”

Then he said to them: “Nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes, famines and pestilences in various places, and fearful events and great signs from heaven.

“But before all this, they will seize you and persecute you. They will hand you over to synagogues and put you in prison, and you will be brought before kings and governors, and all on account of My name. And so you will bear testimony to Me. But make up your mind not to worry beforehand how you will defend yourselves. For I will give you words and wisdom that none of your adversaries will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents, brothers and sisters, relatives and friends, and they will put some of you to death. Everyone will hate you because of Me. But not a hair of your head will perish. Stand firm, and you will win life.

“When you see Jerusalem being surrounded by armies, you will know that its desolation is near. Then let those who are in Judea flee to the mountains, let those in the city get out, and let those in the country not enter the city. For this is the time of punishment in fulfillment of all that has been written. How dreadful it will be in those days for pregnant women and nursing mothers! There will be great distress in the land and wrath against this people. They will fall by the sword and will be taken as prisoners to all the nations. Jerusalem will be trampled on by the Gentiles until the times of the Gentiles are fulfilled.

“There will be signs in the sun, moon and stars. On the earth, nations will be in anguish and perplexity at the roaring and tossing of the sea. People will faint from terror, apprehensive of what is coming on the world, for the heavenly bodies will be shaken. At that time they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. When these things begin to take place, stand up and lift up your heads, because your redemption is drawing near.”

Response: Praise to You, O Christ..... page 83
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The Sermon: Pastor Steve Bang

“As the World Falls Apart...” Luke 21:5-19

Hymn: O Worship the King LBW #548, vs. 1-4
Please stand

Apostles’ Creed page 85

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