

*Sharing of the Peace.*

*You may be seated.*

**Offering**

*Please stand.*

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**Prayer**

**Congregation response: hear our prayer**

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**Pastor:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**Congregation: Thanks be to God!**

**Closing Hymn:** *Now Thank We All Our God*..... LBW #328

**Postlude**

**Pastor: Steve Bang**

**Organist/Pianist: Ruth Sheldon**

**Usher: Richard Peterson**

**Lectionary: Colette Reimann**

**Acolyte: Paris Reimann**

... ANNOUNCEMENTS ...

**Today,**

Noon: Bible Study Club potluck, program

7 p.m. Youth Group

**Wednesday, Nov. 23**

7 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service at Sion Lutheran, Lake Mills

**Next Sunday, November 27**

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

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

11 a.m. Worship service with Holy Communion

Noon: Advent Adventure potluck followed by afternoon of filling Shoe Boxes for Crisis Intervention and decorating the church for the Advent and Christmas season.

**Prayer List** — Jonie Bang, Angela Haugen, Marlys Haugen, Dale Zingg, Ben Charlson, Blanche Durby, Mike Haack, Dorothy Kall, Elaine Ritz, Monte Branstad, Eldora Reil. All prayer requests can be submitted to: [www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer](http://www.westprairiechurch.com/prayer); leave a message on the church answering system @ 641-567-3733; or call Pastor Steve @ 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 20, 2016**

**Worship Service for Christ the King Sunday**

**Prelude**

**Pastoral Greeting**

*Please stand if you are able.*

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**Opening Hymn:** *Rejoice, the Lord is King!*..... LBW #171

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**Prayer of the Day**

**(All) Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things to Your beloved Son, whom You anointed priest forever and king of all creation: Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*You may be seated.*

**First Lesson:** Malachi 3:13-18

**Israel Speaks Arrogantly Against God**

“You have spoken arrogantly against Me,” says the LORD.

“Yet you ask, ‘What have we said against You?’

“You have said, ‘It is futile to serve God. What do we gain by carrying out His requirements and going about like mourners before the LORD Almighty? But now we call the arrogant blessed. Certainly evildoers prosper, and even when they put God to the test, they get away with it.’”

Then those who feared the LORD talked with each other, and the LORD listened and heard. A scroll of remembrance was written in His presence concerning those who feared the LORD and honored His name.

“On the day when I act,” says the LORD Almighty, “they will be My treasured possession. I will spare them, just as a father has compassion and spares his son who

serves him. And you will again see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between those who serve God and those who do not.

**Psalm 46** (responsively)

L: God is our refuge and strength,

**C: a very present help in trouble**

L: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,

**C: and though the mountains be toppled into the depths of the sea;**

L: though its waters rage and foam,

**C: and though the mountains tremble at its tumult.**

L: The Lord of hosts is with us;

**C: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

L: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,

**C: the holy habitation of the Most High.**

L: God is in the midst of her; she shall not be overthrown;

**C: God shall help her at the break of day.**

L: The nations make much ado, and the kingdoms are shaken;

**C: God has spoken, and the earth shall melt away.**

L: The Lord of hosts is with us;

**C: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

L: Come now and look upon the works of the Lord,

**C: what awesome things He has done on earth.**

L: It is He who makes war to cease in all the world;

**C: He breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.**

L: "Be still then, and know that I am God;

**C: I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."**

L: The Lord of hosts is with us;

**C: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.**

**Second Lesson: Colossians 1:13-20**

For He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son He loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in Him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. And He is the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything He might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Him, and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace

through His blood, shed on the cross.

*Please stand*

**Alleluia** ..... page 83

**Gospel Lesson: Luke 23:27-43**

**Response: Glory to You, O Lord** ..... page 83

A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. Jesus turned and said to them, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for Me; weep for yourselves and for your children. For the time will come when you will say, 'Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' Then "they will say to the mountains, "Fall on us!" and to the hills, "Cover us!"

For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on His right, the other on His left. Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let Him save Himself if He is God's Messiah, the Chosen One."

The soldiers also came up and mocked Him. They offered Him wine vinegar and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save Yourself."

There was a written notice above Him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at Him: "Aren't You the Messiah? Save Yourself and us!"

But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."

Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when You come into Your kingdom."

Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with Me in paradise."

**Response: Praise to You, O Christ** ..... page 83

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**Hymn: O the Deep, Deep Love of Jesus** ..... Grey Hymn Book #24

**The Sermon: Pastor Steve Bang**

"Rescued, Transferred, Purchased, Forgiven!" Colossians 1:13-14

**Hymn: Amazing Grace** .....LBW #448

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**Apostles' Creed** ..... page 85

## SERMON NOTES . . .

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4. Jesus has \_\_\_\_\_ our freedom with his blood.
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6. “Jesus paid a debt he did not owe; I owed a debt I could not pay. I needed someone to wash my sins away; and now I sing a brand new song – Amazing Grace! Christ Jesus paid a debt that I could never \_\_\_\_\_.”
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