

Thanksgiving | Sunday

November 19 & 22, 2020

Hymn *We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer*

1 We praise you, O God, our Re - deem - er, Cre - a - tor!
2 We wor - ship you, God of our fath - ers; we bless you.

In grate - ful de - vo - tion our trib - ute we bring;
Through tri - al and tem - pest our guide you have been;

We lay it be - fore you; we kneel and a - dore you;
When per - ils o'er - take us, you will not for - sake us,

We bless your ho - ly name; glad prais - es we sing.
And with your help, O Lord, our bat - tles we win.



Hearing Assistance

The sanctuary is equipped with Williams Hearing Assist technology. Personal receivers are at the AV console in the rear of the sanctuary.

Offerings

Give+Online is a safe and popular way to automate your giving. Access via cosrock.org/donate or "COS Rock" app.

Kids Church

Kids Church meets in Rooms 100-104 after the children's message until the end of the 9:45 am service. It is for children preschool-4th grade.

Nursery

There is no nursery this weekend. Children's Bulletins are available at the Welcome Center.

Life Passages

Find information, church policies, application forms for baptism, marriage, funerals, membership at cosrock.org.

2020 Holiday Assistance Drive

Our annual holiday assistance drive seeks monetary donations in 2020 instead of food stuffs, toiletries, etc. During November and December gifts designated "Assistance" will be deposited into our assistance fund and disbursed to COS members in need and to North Kent Connect, serving the needs of people in northern Kent County.

2021 Offering Envelopes

Those enrolled in COS online giving can "opt out" of having a box of 2021 offering envelopes assigned to them. Email cosrock_staffminister@hotmail.com to inform Tom Marten of your decision. Those not opting out will be able to pick up their 2021 offering envelopes at church in late November or early December.

Nehemiah Adult Bible Study

6:30 pm Mondays

Join the Adult Bible Study via Zoom as we take up the book of Nehemiah. The link to the class is in the weekly COS E Bulletin and on the church website.

Private Communion

Wednesdays, 2:00-7:00 pm

The weekly E-Bulletin and the congregation's website calendar have links to an online scheduling system so that you can make an appointment to receive the Sacrament outside the larger group gatherings of a typical COS worship service.

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Sunday, November 22

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Worship w/Kids Church
11:00 am Worship
6:30 pm Teen Bible Study

Monday, November 23

7:30 am Men's Bible Study
9:00 am Preschool 4s
9:15 am Preschool 3s
6:30 pm Adult Bible Study

Tuesday, November 24

9:00 am Preschool 4s
9:15 am Preschool 3s

Wednesday, November 25

Thursday, November 26

Friday, November 27

Saturday, November 28

Sunday, November 29

8:30 am Worship
9:45 am Worship w/Kids Church
11:00 am Worship



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news & happenings

Confirmation Classes

The 6-8th grade confirmation classes do not meet this Wednesday due to Thanksgiving Break. On Wednesday, December 1 they will meet remotely. Teachers will send links to the households of their classes.

Thursday Worship

There will not be a Thursday service on November 26 due to the Thanksgiving Holiday. It resumes at 6:30 pm on December 3. The Thursday services offer the most social distancing due to the smaller attendances.

Men's Breakfast Bible Study

7:30 am Mondays

The Men's Breakfast Bible Study is moving to remote only for the next three weeks. Links are in the weekly E-bulletin and on the church website calendar.

Outdoor Nativity Set-Up

9:30 am Monday, November 30

The men's breakfast Bible study will set up the outdoor nativity on the Monday after Thanksgiving. Any one interested in helping is invited to join them.

Sanctuary Decorating

8:00 am Monday, December 7

The sanctuary will be decorated for the Christmas season on the day after the Second Sunday in Advent. Those interested in helping should expect it to take about an hour and a half.

Subscribe to Meditations

Meditations is an inspiring, personal devotional publication, produced by our church body, offering daily Scripture-based, soul-searching studies of God's Word. Each meditation is clearly written and easy to understand, with a special Scripture reading, devotion, and prayer for each day. *Meditations* provides scriptural guidance and encouragement for daily living. Subscribe for these to be delivered to you via booklet, email, or other digital formats at onlinenph.net/subscriptions/periodicals/meditations.

COScast

Are you watching the daily COScasts? Each weekday morning our pastors upload a 3-5 minute video to the Christ Our Savior Lutheran Church YouTube channel. Mondays recap the weekend's worship and announcements, Tuesdays and Thursdays are devotions and prayers on the Psalm for the week, Wednesdays are music based, and Fridays feature interviews. Check it out. Better yet, subscribe!

Invocation

M: In the name of God the Father:

C: **Praise to our creating God!**

M: In the name of God the Son

C: **Praise to our redeeming God!**

M: In the name of God the Holy Spirit:

C: **Praise to our renewing God!**

M: Let us join our thankful voices and say:

C: **Amen! Praise the Lord!**

C: 🎵 **With voices united our praises we offer.
To you, great Jehovah, glad anthems we raise.
Your strong arm will guide us, our God is beside us.
To you, our great Redeemer, fore'er be praise!**

Prayer

M: O Holy Spirit, you move the hearts of your people to praise and thanksgiving. Since we are come together to offer our worship and gratitude for God's endless gifts to us, we ask your presence now among us; together with the Son who died and rose again to save us, and the heavenly Father, who created and still preserves us, one Lord, our God, world without end.

C: **Amen.**

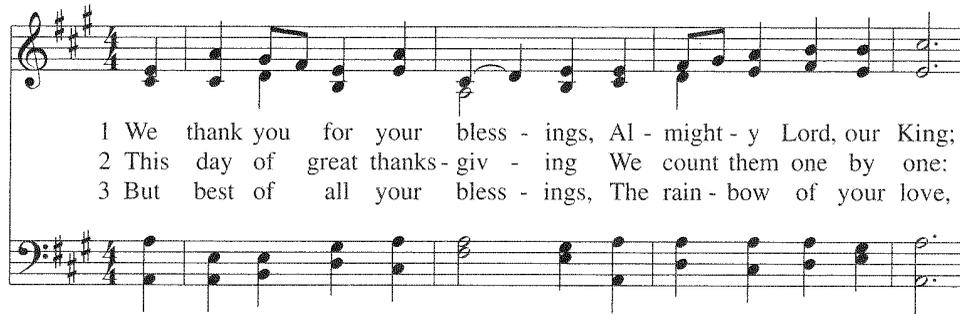
First Lesson Deuteronomy 8:10-18

Second Lesson Philippians 4:6-20

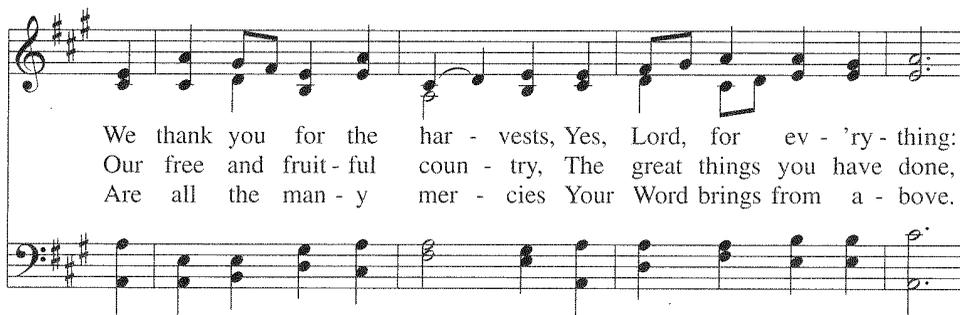
Holy Gospel Luke 17:11-19

Children's Message

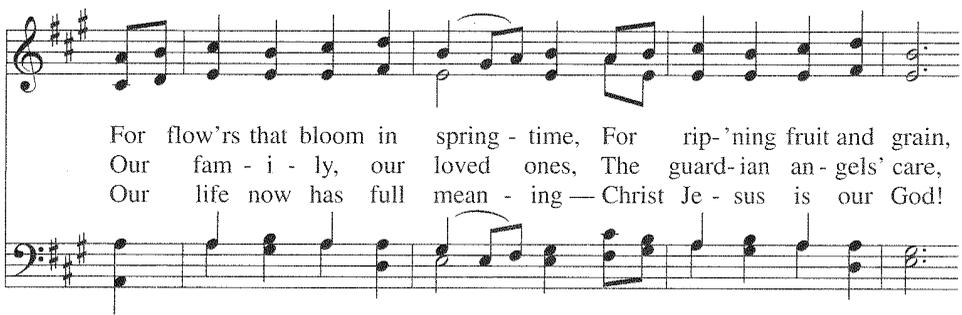
Hymn We Thank You for Your Blessings



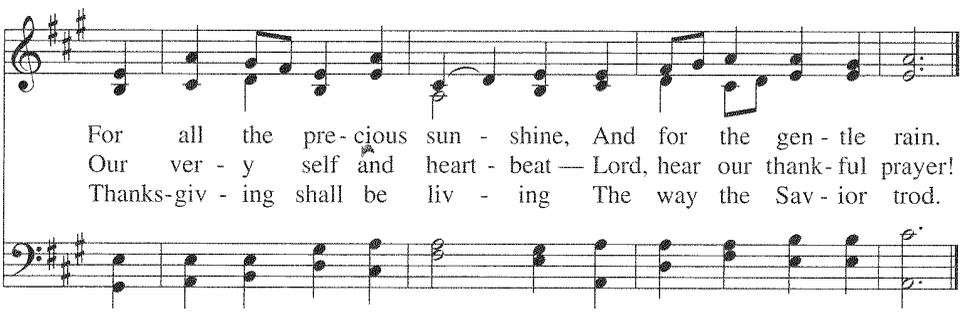
1 We thank you for your bless - ings, Al - might - y Lord, our King;
 2 This day of great thanks - giv - ing We count them one by one:
 3 But best of all your bless - ings, The rain - bow of your love,



We thank you for the har - vests, Yes, Lord, for ev - 'ry - thing:
 Our free and fruit - ful coun - try, The great things you have done,
 Are all the man - y mer - cies Your Word brings from a - bove.



For flow'rs that bloom in spring - time, For rip - 'ning fruit and grain,
 Our fam - i - ly, our loved ones, The guard - ian an - gels' care,
 Our life now has full mean - ing — Christ Je - sus is our God!



For all the pre - cious sun - shine, And for the gen - tle rain.
 Our ver - y self and heart - beat — Lord, hear our thank - ful prayer!
 Thanks - giv - ing shall be liv - ing The way the Sav - ior trod.

WELS news & resources

The Jesse Tree Advent Devotions

The faculty of Martin Luther College have authored a devotional booklet for the Advent Season called "The Jesse Tree." There are several copies free for pick up at the Welcome Center.

Marriage Moments

Every marriage has its "moments." That's why marriage needs moments of encouragement and refreshment. Beginning this October, *Marriage Moments* are short, weekly videos highlighting one biblical marriage thought accompanied by a discussion question. Subscribe via the link included in this week's COS E Bulletin.

Giving thanks for Ministry Work in East Asia

WELS World Missions is thankful the many blessings God has showered on work in East Asia. Here are some quick facts:

- 209 students are studying at Asia Lutheran Seminary
- About 38 Asia Lutheran Seminary graduates work full-time in public ministry
- In 2019, 109 people were baptized in East Asia
- There are 20 congregations comprised of 55 different groups in East Asia
- Eight WELS missionaries serve on the East Asia missions team

Although Missions has to limit details due to security concerns in this region of the world, information about this mission work is available at wels.net/eastasia. And, don't forget to follow WELS Missions on Facebook at fb.com/WELSMissions.

"Lord Jesus, we praise you for your enduring love that has worked salvation for us. We thank you for the privilege of the Great Commission to share this good news with all nations. Thanks for giving us the opportunity to begin mission work in East Asia a decade ago and for blessing those efforts despite government restrictions. Please guide our strategy now as missionaries have had to leave the country. Grow the house churches that are being led by national pastors. Help the WELS as we train, mentor, and visit. May your gospel reap a rich harvest among the Chinese-speaking people of this region. Amen."

WELS Family Devotions

Get your family into God's Word during the week! WELS has developed short devotions for the entire family to use. Each devotion comes complete with a set of questions for different age groups, a prayer, and hymn verses that can be sung or spoken. Downloadable printable versions are also available. Find the family devotions at wels.net/family-devotions.

The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore!

Who from our moth-er's arms Has blessed us on our way
 And keep us in his grace And guide us when per - plexed
 The one e - ter - nal God, Whom earth and heav'n a - dore!

For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

With count-less gifts of love And still is ours to - day.
 And free us from all ills In this world and the next.
 For thus it was, is now, And shall be ev - er - more.

Pastoral Care

When in need of pastoral care, please call the church office 866-1881 or contact a pastor directly.

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Sermon

*Fourth Petition of
 Lord's Prayer &
 Explanation from
 Luther's Small
 Catechism*

Creed

All: Give us today our daily bread.

M: What does this mean?

C: God surely gives daily bread without our asking, even to all the wicked, but we pray in this petition that he would lead us to realize this and to receive our daily bread with thanksgiving.

L: What, then, is meant by daily bread?

C: Daily bread includes everything that we need for our bodily welfare, such as food and drink, clothing and shoes, house and home, land and cattle, money and goods, a godly spouse, godly children, godly workers, godly and faithful leaders, good government, good weather, peace and order, health, a good name, good friends, faithful neighbors, and the like.

Confession & Absolution

M: God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. Therefore, let us be reconciled to God and to one another.

Gracious God...

C: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

M: The almighty and merciful Lord grants you pardon, forgiveness and remission of all your sins.

C: Amen.

Offering

Prayers of the Church

M: Lord God we thank you for many things. For the roofs that shelter us and the food that sustains us. For the people we enjoy these blessings with, especially during the Thanksgiving Holiday.

C: Thank you for all those who reflect the love of Christ in our lives.

M: Thank you for this land and all it produces. For our farms and factories.
For a society where the rule of law is respected and the public good upheld.

C: **Thank you for our nation, our state and this community. Bless those who hold offices of high trust, so that we would continue to enjoy your blessings of peace, security and well-being.**

M: You give so much without our asking.

C: **We pray that you would lead us to realize this and to receive your blessings with thanksgiving.**

M: Hear us, Lord, as we give thanks for personal blessings.

Silent Prayer

Intercessions

M: In your mercy, O Lord, hear the prayers of all who call on you through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

C: **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours
now and forever.
Amen.**

Words of Institution

Distribution

Reception of the Sacrament at COS is reserved for those who share our confession of the doctrines of Holy Scripture. Prior to communing here for the first time, we ask that you give us the chance to teach those doctrines to you via our New Life in Christ Course. Speak to Pastor Hahm about the next course.

Closing Prayer

M: Thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for nourishing us in this Sacrament with your body and blood. You have given us forgiveness, life and salvation. Send us out now in the power of your Spirit to live and work to your praise and glory.

C: **Amen.**

Benediction

M: 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: **Amen.**

Hymn *Now Thank We All Our God*

3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,
1 Now thank we all our God With hearts and hands and voic - es,
2 Oh, may this boun - teous God Through all our life be near us,
3 All praise and thanks to God The Fa - ther now be giv - en,

The Son, and him who reigns With them in high - est heav - en,
Who won - drous things has done, In whom his world re - joic - es,
With ev - er - joy - ful hearts And bless - ed peace to cheer us
The Son, and him who reigns With them in high - est heav - en,