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**Rev. Randy Fischer, Pastor**

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**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost**

*8:30 a.m.*

*November 17, 2024*

**Matins, LSB p.219**

**Hymn: 873 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies**

*Stand*

**Common Versicles**

*LSB 219*

***Psalmody***

**Antiphon (Common)**

*LSB 220*

**Venite**

*LSB 220*

**Antiphon (Common)**

*LSB 221*

*Sit*

***Readings***

**Reading**

*Daniel 12:1-3*

**P** A reading from Daniel, chapter 12.

<sup>1</sup>“At that time shall arise Michael, the great prince who has charge of your people. And there shall be a time of trouble, such as never has been since there was a nation till that time. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone whose name shall be found written in the book. <sup>2</sup>And many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. <sup>3</sup>And those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky above; and those who turn many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Reading

*Hebrews 10:11–25*

**P** A reading from Hebrews, chapter 10.

<sup>11</sup>Every priest stands daily at his service, offering repeatedly the same sacrifices, which can never take away sins. <sup>12</sup>But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, he sat down at the right hand of God, <sup>13</sup>waiting from that time until his enemies should be made a footstool for his feet. <sup>14</sup>For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are being sanctified.

<sup>15</sup>And the Holy Spirit also bears witness to us; for after saying,

<sup>16</sup>“This is the covenant that I will make with them  
after those days, declares the Lord:  
I will put my laws on their hearts,  
and write them on their minds,”

<sup>17</sup>then he adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

<sup>18</sup>Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.

<sup>19</sup>Therefore, brothers, since we have confidence to enter the holy places by the blood of Jesus, <sup>20</sup>by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain, that is, through his flesh, <sup>21</sup>and since we have a great priest over the house of God, <sup>22</sup>let us draw near with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed

with pure water. <sup>23</sup>Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful. <sup>24</sup>And let us consider how to stir up one another to love and good works, <sup>25</sup>not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day drawing near.

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Reading

*Mark 13:1–13*

**P** A reading from Mark, chapter 13.

<sup>1</sup>As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what wonderful stones and what wonderful buildings!” <sup>2</sup>And Jesus said to him, “Do you see these great buildings? There will not be left here one stone upon another that will not be thrown down.”

<sup>3</sup>And as he sat on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter and James and John and Andrew asked him privately, <sup>4</sup>“Tell us, when will these things be, and what will be the sign when all these things are about to be accomplished?” <sup>5</sup>And Jesus began to say to them, “See that no one leads you astray. <sup>6</sup>Many will come in my name, saying, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many astray. <sup>7</sup>And when you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed. This must take place, but the end is not yet. <sup>8</sup>For nation will rise against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. These are but the beginning of the birth pains.

<sup>9</sup>“But be on your guard. For they will deliver you over to councils, and you will be beaten in synagogues, and you will stand before governors and kings for my sake, to bear witness before them. <sup>10</sup>And the gospel must first be proclaimed to all nations.

<sup>11</sup>And when they bring you to trial and deliver you over, do not be anxious beforehand what you are to say, but say whatever is given you in that hour, for it is not you who speak, but the Holy Spirit.

<sup>12</sup>And brother will deliver brother over to death, and the father his child, and children will rise against parents and have them put to

death. <sup>13</sup>And you will be hated by all for my name's sake. But the one who endures to the end will be saved."

**P** O Lord, have mercy on us.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Responsory**

*LSB 221*

*Sit*

**Sermon Hymn: 563 Jesus, Thy Blood and Righteousness**

**Sermon: Entering Holy Places**

*Hebrews 10:11-25*

*Canticle*

*Stand*

**Te Deum**

*LSB 223*

*Prayer*

**Kyrie**

*LSB 227*

**Lord's Prayer**

**Collects**

**Collect of the Day**

O Lord, by Your bountiful goodness release us from the bonds of our sins, which by reason of our weakness we have brought upon ourselves, that we may stand firm until the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

**Additional Collects of Intercession and Thanksgiving**

## Collect for Grace

*Stand*

## Benedicamus and Benediction

*LSB 228*

## Hymn to Depart: 575 My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less

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Please place your offerings in the plate at the back of church.

### THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED PRAYERS FOR...

- ★ Raylyn Duncan (daughter of Jace and Cassie Liefer Duncan), Monica Hussey (daughter of Dorothy Zipfel), Art and Gladys Thies, Linda Schulz, Dianna Wegener, Delbert Kueker, Teddy Schrader, Brian Ruez, Carolyn Fink, Dawn Ruez, Dorothy Zipfel, Sarah Kueker, Susan Sochowski, Paul Liefer, Robert Veath, Jace Duncan, Mary Braun, Dorothy Krause
- ★ Comfort for family, church family, and friends of Doris Liefer who passed away on November 1
- ★ Jace Duncan (husband of Cassie (Liefer) Duncan), Ryan Nehrt, Tanner Valleroy (nephew to Brian Liefer), and all others who are members of the Military, Police, and Firefighters
- ★ If you'd like to send a card to **Mark and Susan Sochowski** and family, the address is 104 Boulder Drive, Red Bud, IL
- ★ **Dorothy Krause** is living in Apartment 9 at Garden Place in Red Bud, but her family asks you to send cards to her in care of Dale Krause, 8311 St. Leo's Road, Evansville, IL 62242. Dale's family will take the cards to her.
- ★ **Dorothy Zipfel** is now living in Freeburg Care Center. The address is 746 Urbana Drive, Freeburg, IL 62243

- ★ **Delbert Kueker** is living at R&R Country Care Senior Living Center, 1026 Janet Drive, Ruma, IL 62278

## **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR CHURCH**

**Organist** Diann Scherle

### **Sunday School Teachers**

Amanda Roedl, Sunday School director and 5<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> grade;  
Kaley Roedl, pre-school through 4<sup>th</sup> grade; Joy Meyer, handbells.

### **Officers**

Dennis Phegley, chairman; Deb McCutcheon, secretary; Diann Scherle, treasurer; Jill Phegley, assistant treasurer; Brian Liefer, Jonathan Mehring, and Tim Schrader, elders; Matt Roedl, Jeff Schlueter, and Lloyd Schoenbeck, trustees.

**Stewardship Committee** (responsible for the Bible presentation series) Rachel Mehring and Jill Phegley from St. John's; Troy Birch and Nathan Koester from St. Peter's.

## **TO SHARE INFORMATION**

**Church Council:** Dennis Phegley, chairman (282-2985); Brian Liefer, elder (618-570-4958); Jonathan Mehring, elder (618-363-0066); Timothy Schrader, elder (618-363-1579).

**Church Bulletin:** By Wednesday afternoon, send email to Deb at church address (stjohnlutheranruma@gmail.com), text her at 618.980.7033, or give her a written note at church.

**Church Facebook Page:** Directly message *StJohnEvLutheranChurchRumaIL*, send an email to the church email address (above), or text Deb (above) and ask to have your information posted.

## **TO CONTACT PASTOR FISCHER**

Call him at 618.670.7736 or email him at [rjfischer92@yahoo.com](mailto:rjfischer92@yahoo.com). Pastor is, in most cases, in the Ruma area at least one day a week besides Sunday and is happy to make an appointment to speak with you in person.

## **FOR MORE ONLINE INFORMATION**

**Church Facebook Page:** *StJohnEvLutheranRumail* for Sunday School activities and church news updates.

**Church Website:** Check the website for the week's bulletin, a calendar of church activities, and links to all things LCMS. Look for us at [www.stjohnlutheranruma.com](http://www.stjohnlutheranruma.com).

## **PLEASE CONSIDER SERVING OUR CHURCH FAMILY...**

**By purchasing our Ladies Aid Apple Butter for only \$5 a pint or \$8 a quart:** The Ladies Aid uses the money to buy items for our church and for area food pantries. They also donate to COSHLS and LWML. See Pearl May or Marlene Ling to buy a jar.

**By working with the Sochowski family** as Susan recovers from a stroke. At our request, Mark has provided a list of concrete ways we can help. A copy of the list is available on the pew in back of church.

**By leaving non-perishable food items** in the back of church. The Ladies Aid/LWML members are collecting for area food pantries.

**By donating toward our new 2024 Lutheran Heritage Foundation Mission Project for 2024...** The new LHF mission project will focus on children in West Africa. Every \$5.00 donation provides a beautiful hardcover Bible storybook for children in languages like Kpelle, Bassa, or Kono. **Write West Africa in the memo line of your check or on an envelope with cash.** We will send collected money to LHF at the end of each quarter in 2024. *Check out Diann's bulletin board display just outside the Fellowship Hall for more information.*

**By bringing altar flowers:** We have purchased live Peace Lilies for the altar, but you are still welcome to provide fresh flowers for a special occasion or just because. Check the sign-up list in the Fellowship Hall to see what months are available. Please let Deb know by Wednesday afternoon so she can acknowledge the gift and occasion in the bulletin.

### **MARK YOUR CALENDAR**

**TODAY:** Sunday School students will meet in church to begin practice for their Sunday School program.

**TODAY and next Sunday:** Deb will collect money for poinsettias.

**Monday, Nov. 18:** Bible Study will be held at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall. This will be the last session until Monday, Jan. 6.

**Thursday, Nov. 28:** St. John's/St. Peter's Joint **Thanksgiving Day** worship service with Holy Communion begins at 8:30 a.m. **here.**

**Sunday, Dec. 1:** The last day to let Jill know that you would like to purchase a subscription to The Lutheran Witness for 2025. The cost is \$27.85 for 11 issues (June and July are combined.)

**Saturday, Dec. 7:** COSLHS Christmas Choir Concert at St. Peter's begins at 2 p.m.

**Saturday, Dec. 7:** Open House at St. John's Lutheran Church, Chester from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to celebrate their 175<sup>th</sup> anniversary. See the decorated church along with a display of nativities, learn about the memorial gifts given in celebration of the church's centennial celebration that are still being used today as well as the changes in the altar area that have been done over the years and many other features and symbols in the sanctuary. Refreshments will be served. Website: <https://www.sjshornets.com/>



## Advent, Christmas, and New Year's Eve Worship Schedule

**Midweek Advent Vesper Services will be at St. Peter's**  
This year's theme is "Let Earth Receive Her King."  
Hymn Sing begins at 6:15 p.m. each evening.  
Worship service begins at 6:30 p.m.

**Wednesday, Dec. 4:** Midweek Advent theme: "Let God's People Receive Their King!" The meditation is based on Matthew 2:3 and John 1:10-12.

**Wednesday, Dec. 11:** Midweek Advent theme: "Let the Romans Receive Their King." The meditation is based on Revelation 19:16.

**Wednesday, Dec. 18:** Midweek Advent theme: "Let Today's Earth Receive Her King!" The meditation is based on 1Timothy 2:5.

**Sunday, Dec. 22:** Sunday School Christmas Program, **here** at 4 p.m.

**Tuesday, Dec. 24:** Christmas Eve Candlelight service **here** at 6:30 p.m.

**Tuesday, Dec. 24:** St. Peter's Sunday School Christmas Eve program begins at 6:30 p.m. **at St. Peter's**

**Wednesday, Dec. 25:** Joint Christmas Day service **at St. Peter's** at 8:30 a.m.

**Tuesday, Dec. 31:** Joint New Year's Eve service at 6:30 p.m. **at St. Peter's.**



**Christ Our Savior**  
LUTHERAN HIGH SCHOOL

**Thank you for attending the COS FFA Donkey Basketball Game!** Our FFA is currently selling Stonie's Snack Sticks. The price is \$1.25 each. Contact an FFA member or call school to get yours.

**COS Christmas Choir Concert:** Make plans to attend our Christmas Choir Concert at St. Peter's on December 7 at 2:00 p.m.

**COS Basketball Games** for both the boys and girls teams will start in December.

**School Hours:** Office hours are Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

**Registration for second semester 2024-2025 is available!** If you know a high school student, encourage them to consider Christ Our Savior Lutheran High school. Call 853-7300 to schedule a shadow day or a private tour. Learn more and download a registration form from our website, [www.coslhs.org](http://www.coslhs.org). Registration for 2025-2026 will begin in January.

**The mission of Christ Our Savior Lutheran High School is to provide a Christ-centered and academically excellent education.**