

SECOND SUNDAY OF END TIME

Last Judgment

November 4 & 7, 2021

The readings for this Sunday set in sharp contrast the attitudes of believers and unbelievers.

Opening Hymn 382, “My Hope Is Built on Nothing Less”

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Prayer of the Day: Lord God Almighty, so rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

FIRST LESSON

Psalm of the Day.....Psalm 130 (page 114)

SECOND LESSON

Verse of the Day: Alleluia. *Watch therefore, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming.* Alleluia.

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GOSPEL LESSON

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Hymn of the Day207, “The Day Is Surely Drawing Near”

SERMON..... “Judgment Day Is Surely Coming” Malachi 4:1,2

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Communion Hymn312, “Lord Jesus Christ, You Have Prepared”

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Closing Hymn339 vv. 1 & 2, “Today Your Mercy Calls Us”

FIRST LESSON: Malachi 4:1,2

What dread, what horror there is stored up for those who despise his gracious Word. But what joy there is for those who fear the Lord and await the Sun of Righteousness.

Look! The day is coming, burning like a blast furnace. All the arrogant and every evildoer will be stubble. The day that is coming will set them on fire, says the LORD of Armies, a day that will not leave behind a root or branch for them. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will rise, and there will be healing in its wings.

SECOND LESSON: Hebrews 9:24-28

The key to our certainty of heaven is in the hands of our Great High Priest.

For Christ did not enter a handmade sanctuary, a representation of the true sanctuary. Instead, he entered into heaven itself, now to appear before God on our behalf. And he did not enter to offer himself many times, as the high priest enters the Most Holy Place year after year with blood that is not his own. Otherwise he would have needed to suffer many times since the creation of the world. But now he has appeared once and for all, at the climax of the ages, in order to take away sin by the sacrifice of himself. And, just as it is appointed for people to die only once and after this comes the judgment, so also Christ was offered only once to take away the sins of many, and he will appear a second time—without sin—to bring salvation to those who are eagerly waiting for him.

GOSPEL LESSON: John 5:19-24

Jesus assures that there is a happy harmony between himself and his Father in everything. Therefore we need not fear that what he has said might be contradicted by his Father.

Jesus answered them directly, “Amen, Amen, I tell you: The Son can do nothing on his own, but only what he sees the Father doing. Indeed, the Son does exactly what the Father does. For the Father loves the Son and shows him everything he is doing. And he will show him even greater works than these so that you will be amazed. For just as the Father raises the dead and gives them life, so also the Son gives life to those he wishes. “In fact, the Father judges no one, but has entrusted all judgment to the Son, so that all should honor the Son just as they honor the Father. Whoever does not honor the Son does not honor the Father who sent him. Amen, Amen, I tell you: Anyone who hears my word and believes him who sent me has eternal life. He is not going to come into judgment but has crossed over from death to life.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNION: Because of the confessional nature of the Lord's Supper which is offered today, we invite forward those who are members of a WELS or ELS congregation. If you have questions about the Lord's Supper, please speak to the pastor.

HEAD USHERS THIS WEEK: Mike Pamperin/Dean Ebert; next week: Lyle Moldenhauer/Chris Zwygart.

ORGANISTS!! There is just one open date in **November** yet—**Sunday, November 28**. If any of you are able to play organ that day, please sign up on the sheet in the school hallway. Thank you!

A HUGE "THANK YOU" to everyone who (will be helping)/(helped) with making the pizzas from our recent PTL sale! This massive undertaking of creating 2000+ pizzas would not have been possible without all your help! The sale was an outstanding success for our school!

THANK YOU to all who may have supported the craft/bake sale which was held at the Trinity Community Center on October 23. The sale raised a total of **\$4,220** in support of *Branch Lutheran Schools* in Haiti! What a blessing!

HEAD USHERS please be reminded that as the inclement weather season is approaching that you are responsible for making sure the steps and sidewalks are cleared and shoveled for worship services falling on your respective Sundays. We thank you, in advance, for your help with this.

USHER DUTIES: As a new year approaches, we are re-working our usher schedule. If there is anyone who was on the list that no longer wishes to help with ushering, please let **Rusty Schultz (920-387-4970)** or **Pastor Mose** know this. Also, if you have not previously ushered but would be willing to do so, please also let them know! As we are looking to add some new faces, please be aware that someone may reach out to you about this in the near future (even if we don't hear from you! 😊)

WLA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN: Thank you from Winnebago Lutheran Academy for having us visit your church services recently. It was a privilege to share with you some WLA Association news along with our plans to build a new high school campus. Please contact **Kevin Ehlike** with any questions you may have at **920-539-4041** or **kehlke@wlavikings.org**. If you would like to give in support of our current capital campaign, please use the brochures provided at your church or go to our website **forward.wlavikings.org/donate**. Gifts can be mailed to WLA or given online at our website. Thank you for your continued support of WLA!

MOVIE NIGHT: Everyone is invited to attend St. Matthew's movie night. This event is scheduled for **Friday, November 12**, beginning at **6:30 PM** in the **gym**. The movie selection is **Luca** (a story about an unlikely but strong friendship which grows between a human being and a sea monster disguised as a human). Popcorn and beverages will be provided, but please feel free to bring any other refreshments you may like for the movie. Please also bring along comfortable seating for you and your family. You are welcome to invite your friends, relatives, and neighbors to attend as well!

OUR GIFTS TO THE LORD

Attendance: Thursday: 18; Sunday: 110

Offerings: \$4,166.00

(Budget Amount Needed Each Week: \$6,661.00)

Special Funds: Debt Retirement: \$190.00; Undesignated Memorials (Debt Retirement): \$30.00

Bat Removal/Clean-Up: \$230.00; Missions: \$25.00; Christian Aid & Relief: \$15.00

Memorials: In Memory of Ardis Pribnow: \$30.00 (*Undesignated*); In Memory of Sandra

McKee: \$230.00 (*Bat Removal/Clean-Up Designation*)

OUR WEEK AT ST. MATTHEW'S

Sunday: Communion Worship Service 9:00 AM
Adult & Teen Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 AM

Wednesday: Elders' Meeting 6:00 PM
Nominating Committee Meeting 6:30 PM
Church Council 7:00 PM

Thursday: Worship Service 7:00 PM
Adult Choir 8:00 PM
Scrip Orders Due

Friday: *Family Movie Night (in St. Matthew's Gym)* 6:30 PM

Sunday: Worship Service 9:00 AM
Adult & Teen Bible Class/Sunday School 10:30 AM