

Christ the King



St. John's Ev. Lutheran Church

Juneau

Salem-Lowell

Horicon

HYMN 900

“Lift High the Cross”

Please stand

INVOCATION

In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father – to him be glory and power forever and ever! Amen.

“The days are coming,” declares the LORD, “when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteousness.”

CONFESSION/ABSOLUTION

We have come to worship our King, but if we examine our life and our sinful human nature, we find ourselves unworthy to stand in his presence. Therefore, let us acknowledge our sinfulness and ask him to forgive us.

I confess that I am by nature sinful, and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior, Christ the King, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

Christ, our King has won your forgiveness through His death and resurrection. In his stead and by his command, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. Let us praise our King for the new life he gives us.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE 363 v1, 3-4

“The King of Glory Comes”



The King of glo - ry comes; the na - tion re - joic - es.



O - pen the gates be - fore him; lift up your voic - es.



1 Who is the King of glo - ry? How shall we call him?
3 He gave his life for us, the pledge of sal - va - tion;
4 He con - quered sin and death; he tru - ly has ris - en,



He is Im - man - u - el, the prom - ised of a - ges.
he took up - on him - self the sin of the na - tions.
and he will share with us his heav - en - ly vi - sion.

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Baptism of Merrlin Roger Christians

10:30 Service

The Word

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Please be seated

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-6 EHV

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! declares the LORD.

²Therefore, this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds who shepherd my people.

You have scattered my flock.

You have driven them away.

You have not taken care of them,
but I will certainly take care of you,
because of the evil things you have done,
declares the LORD.

³I will gather what is left of my flock
out of all the countries where I have driven them,
and I will bring them back to their pastures.

They will be fruitful and multiply.

⁴I will raise up shepherds over them
who will shepherd them.

They will no longer be afraid or terrified,
nor will any be missing, declares the LORD.

⁵Listen, the days are coming, declares the LORD,
when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,
who will reign wisely as king

and establish justice and righteousness on earth.

⁶ In his days Judah will be saved

and Israel will dwell securely.

This is his name by which he will be called:

The LORD Our Righteousness.

ANTHEM	6:30 PM	3rd-4th Grade	"I Am Trusting You Lord Jesus"
	9:30 AM	Lowell Sunday School	"Praise and Thanks"
	10:30 AM	PreK-2nd Grade	"Give Thanks"

EPISTLE LESSON

Colossians 1:13-20 EHV

¹³ The Father rescued us from the domain of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, things seen and unseen, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and all things hold together in him.

¹⁸ He is also the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that in all things he might have the highest rank. ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile all things to himself (whether things on earth or in heaven) by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95C

“Come, Let Us Praise the LORD”



1 Come, let us praise the LORD, with joy our God ac -
2 Our God of match-less worth, our King be - yond com -
3 In wor - ship bow the knee, our glo - rious God con -
4 Come, hear his voice to - day, re - ceive what love im -



claim, his great - ness tell a - broad and bless his
pare, the deep - est bounds of earth, the hills, are
fess; the great Cre - a - tor, he, the LORD our
parts; his ho - ly will o - bey and hard - en



sav - ing name. Lift high your songs be -
in his care. He all de - crees, who
Right - eous - ness. He reigns un - seen: his
not your hearts. His ways are best and



fore his throne to whom a - lone all praise be - longs.
by his hand pre - pared the land and formed the seas.
flock he feeds and gent - ly leads in pas - tures green.
lead at last, all trou - bles past, to per - fect rest.

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Please stand

GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 23:35-43 EHV

³⁵The people stood watching. The rulers were ridiculing him, saying, “He saved others. Let him save himself, if this is the Christ of God, the Chosen One!”

³⁶The soldiers also made fun of him. Coming up to him, they offered him sour wine, ³⁷saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!”

³⁸There was also an inscription written above him: “This is the King of the Jews.”

³⁹One of the criminals hanging there was blaspheming him, saying, “Aren’t you the Christ? Save yourself and us!”

⁴⁰But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God, since you are under the same condemnation? ⁴¹We are punished justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for what we have done, but this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴²Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.”

⁴³Jesus said to him, “Amen I tell you: Today you will be with me in paradise.”

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Please be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY 495

“The King Shall Come”

SERMON

Jeremiah 23:1-6 EHV

Your heart has either the Shepherd-King or a Tyrant Sitting on its Throne.

Please stand

Confession of Faith

(Luther's explanation - 2nd Article of the Apostles' Creed)

(All) **I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord.**

What do you mean when you make this confession of your faith?

I believe that Jesus Christ, true God, begotten of the Father from eternity, and also true man, born of the virgin Mary, is my Lord.

He has redeemed me, a lost and condemned creature, purchased and won me from all sins, from death and from the power of the devil, not with gold or silver, but with his holy, precious blood and with his innocent suffering and death.

All this He did that I should be his own, and live under him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting righteousness, innocence and blessedness, just as he has risen from death and lives and rules eternally.

This is most certainly true.

Please be seated

Prayer of the Church

Brief intercessory prayers may be added in a fitting place.

Lord Jesus Christ, blessed are you, the King who comes to set your people free.

Reign over us in your abundant mercy.

While we long for your final coming, we rejoice that you lengthen these end times so that many may hear of your saving work and believe.

Send your Spirit on us that we may use the gift of time to share our faith with others.

Lord and King, defend all who are imprisoned or insulted because of your name. Come to help those whose Christian faith is mocked as foolish or naïve, and rescue those who are straying from the faith.

Lead us to those who need help, guide us in our works of service, and strengthen us with a firm resolve to follow you in obedience.

Lord of the Church, develop in us a new awareness of the gifts you give us to use in our callings, that your kingdom of grace may flourish.

Bless and preserve Christian churches everywhere and raise up another generation of faithful workers.

Both in humiliation and glory you extended your loving hand to the weak and the hurting. Speak to those who are confused and wondering. Defend those who are oppressed and put down. Comfort those who are enduring pain or struggling with sadness. [Keep in your care... *here name the person and the cause of the petition.*] Abide with the aged who are alone as they die and protect pregnant mothers and their unborn children.

Move us to see your face in them, Lord Jesus and to help them as we serve you.

Mighty King, look with mercy on this land, its government, and all the kingdoms of the world. Relieve us from war, bloodshed, and rebellion.

Grant us wisdom as we deal with a changing economy. Provide for the unemployed and their families. Open the hearts of those who prosper to be generous and willing to share.

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

Silent prayer.

Coming King and Savior of the world, keep us faithful to the end as we watch and wait for your return and we join together and pray...

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever and ever. Amen.

Offering

Please stand

Offering Hymn 749 v1

“God, Whose Giving Knows No Ending”



1 God, whose giv - ing knows no end - ing, from your rich and
end - less store: na - ture's won - der, Je - sus' wis - dom,
cost - ly cross, grave's shat - tered door— gift - ed by you, we turn
to you, of - f'ring up our - selves in praise; thank - ful
songs shall rise for - ev - er, gra - cious do - nor of our days.

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BLESSING

Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.
Serve the Lord with gladness.

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.

Amen. (*spoken*)

Please be seated

Preacher: John Baumann

Liturgist: David Brandt

Organist: Ruth Affeld / Becky Schultz

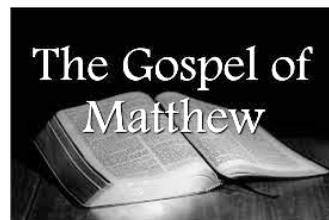
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Join us next week for Advent!

The Latin word *adventus* means “coming.” The last words in Scripture are “Come, Lord Jesus!” Thus, the season of Advent begins with the end in mind. We enter a new Church Year with our eyes fixed on the End—capital “E”—when Jesus Christ will come and destroy this sin-broken world. If that is what Jesus and his angels are coming to do—destroy the universe with fire (2 Peter 3)—why would we cry out, “Come, Lord Jesus”? Because we know that Jesus has come into our world once before. The Son of God became the Son of Man. From the manger to the cross, Jesus did everything necessary to redeem mankind. As this new Church Year walks us through the entire life of Christ, we see God’s promises of deliverance fulfilled . . . God’s plan of salvation completed. And so, when Christ comes again, while the universe will be destroyed, we know God’s people will be ushered into a new, glorious, everlasting kingdom. Advent is necessary to prepare us for Christmas. It enables us to understand the true significance of Christmas. For Advent allows us to see that because of what Christ did when he came the first time, believers need not fear when he comes again. Instead, we yearn for it. Come, Lord Jesus!



"I myself am convinced about you...that you yourselves are also full of goodness, filled with complete knowledge, and able to instruct one another" ...Paul the apostle, Romans 15:14, EHV



Our Monday Bible study (6:30-7:30 pm at Juneau) is a devotional "look ahead" to the following Sunday's Lessons and Gospel. We search for the connecting theme among Lessons and Gospel. We also take a brief look at other passages and sections of the Bible which relate to these scriptures and help us to better understand them. We have also included the coming week's Psalm in our discussions.

Advent begins a new church year. During the year just ended, we regularly heard from the Gospel of Luke. In this new church year, Sunday's Gospel will ordinarily be a selection from Matthew. Instead of including a look at the Psalm for the coming Sunday, this church year we will seek to understand how Matthew's Gospel is distinctive among the four Gospels. We want to focus on the themes of Matthew and its overall theme.

We meet in the downstairs fellowship area - the same area where our other Bible Study groups meet on Sunday morning and Tuesday evening. We have room for you. Consider investing an hour discussing God's Word with your brothers and sisters in Christ. Bring your own Bible and together we will explore God's Word to us.

Pastor Luetke

Baptism: God's richest blessings to Merrlin Roger Christians on your baptism! May God be with you and your parents, Joel and Colleen Christians, all the days of your life.

Special Flowers at our Juneau Campus: Thank you to both families for beautifying our church today!

- Flowers are given by Paul and Sharon Schmidt in memory of their former spouses.
Rodney Doughty 11/3/13 (9 years) & Judy Schmidt 11/20/12 (10 years)
- Flowers are also given by the Wyss family in honor of their mother and grandmother, Nelda Wyss. Nelda went to her heavenly home on November 9th.

Advent by Candlelight

Sunday, December 4th at 4pm @ St. John's Juneau Campus
St. John's will host a special Advent by Candlelight for the ladies of our congregation. We are currently looking for 6-8 ladies to volunteer to be a hostess for the event. A hostess will provide a table setting of dessert plates and napkins (cups are optional) for 8 ladies at your table along with a dessert to share. The tablecloths and advent wreath centerpieces will be provided. Please sign-up in the narthex at our campuses if interested. Please contact Heide Brandt if you have any questions at 989-574-5976. As the hustle and bustle of the Holiday Season is upon us, let us take a few moments to reflect on the true meaning of Christmas and praise God for His special gift.



Joint Advent Service:

Wednesday, December 7st at 7:00 PM, Good Shepherd, Beaver Dam
Please join St. Stephen's and Good Shepherd in Beaver Dam for a special Joint Advent Service. This service will include special messages from our pastors and music from our church choirs. This is a unique reflective Advent service designed to prepare our hearts for Christ's birth.

Call for an Associate Pastor: On Sunday, October 30th, St. John's called an Associate Pastor, Joseph Lindloff, from Hope Lutheran Church in Irmo, South Carolina. Please keep Pastor Lindloff, his wife Julie, and their 3 young children in your prayers as they deliberate where best to serve our Savior.

Poinsettias

Once again, 35 poinsettias have been ordered from Robin's Countryside Gardens to be purchased by members for the Juneau Campus this Christmas. The cost for the plant is \$15. If you would like to donate a poinsettia to church for the Christmas season, please see the sign-up sheet in the Juneau narthex or call the church office.



Snow Removal: It's not too early to start thinking about snow removal! If you'd like to help this year, please sign up in the narthex or call our church office. Thank you!

Care Packages for Soldiers: Our Military Support Committee will be assembling another round of care packages for our four out-of-the-area members in the military. If you would like to contribute anything for this round of packages, please bring it to church by Monday, December 5th. Your care and concern for our members in the military is greatly appreciated. This is a good way to show them some love and support and to let them know their home congregation cares about them. Cards, notes of encouragement, food/snacks, gift cards are all excellent options.

Ladies Aid Christmas Party!

All ladies of St. John's are welcome! Ladies Aid invites you to join us for a fun evening of games, prizes and fellowship. Warm up with some hot cocoa from our Christmas Hot Cocoa Bar. Please bring a snack, cookies or finger food to share with the group. Party will be Thursday, December 1st at 6:45pm, St. John's

Juneau fellowship hall. If you are in need of a ride to the party, call Karen at 920-386-2419. Look forward to seeing you there to share the joy of the season.

St. John's Spirit Wear: Are you interested in purchasing St. John's logo clothing items? These would make great Christmas gifts! The website for our St. John's Spirit Wear Clothing sales for school is now open through November 27th. If you are interested in purchasing shirts, sweatshirts or hats, please go to stjohnsspiritwear.itemorder.com to order your School Spirit wear! Orders must be placed on-line only. Thank you for your support for our school! Any questions, please contact Mrs. Leissring in the school office either at school@stjohnsjuneau.org or 920-386-4644. Go Eagles!

Do you know a Family in Need this Christmas season? Are you in need of some extra help this Christmas?

St. John's is making a "Giving Tree" this Christmas for those in need in our church and community. If you or someone you know would like some extra help to make this Christmas extra special, please contact Pastor Brandt **soon!** with the specifics of a gift, clothing sizes, etc. All requests will be kept confidential. In December, our members will have the opportunity to purchase those needed items and they will be delivered prior to Christmas. Please email your requests to Pastor Brandt at pastorbrandt@live.com.

Christmas Decorating:

- **Salem-Lowell** Please join us on Sunday, November 27th after the 9:30am worship service. Salem-Lowell Campus will be decorating for Christmas! We welcome all volunteers to assist especially vertically blessed and ladder-friendly helpers. 😊
- **Juneau** Please join us on Saturday, November 26th @ 9:00am Darris and Jill Wasmund and Tiffany Cina will lead the project. All members are encouraged and welcome to come help. See you there!

Thanksgiving and Christmas Cards Our St. John's Ladies Aid is again selling Thanksgiving and Christmas Cards. If you are interested in purchasing a box or more, please see the cards in the Juneau church basement. Please deposit cash or check (payable to St. John's Ladies Aid) into the box. Thank you!

Blood Drive: St. John's Church will be hosting a blood drive on Monday, November 21, 2022 from 1-6 p.m. in the church basement. If you would like to donate blood, please register on-line at www.redcrossblood.org, there will also be a sheet for volunteers and donation of food to sign up for in the coming weeks. If you have any questions, please call Cynthia Ninmann at 920-210-1134 after 6:00. NOTE: Notice that the blood drive is on a MONDAY this time.

Adult Choir: We will have a special Adult Choir rehearsal after the Thanksgiving service on Wednesday, November 23rd from 7:30-8:00pm.

Volunteers (11/17-11/20)

Greeters:

6:30 PM Matt and Char Lober
8:00 AM Carol Soldner, Lexi Voigt, Dan and Barb Zank
10:30 AM Linda Tonn, Karen Greenwald

Ushers:

6:30 PM Lee Weiss, Dylan Stegner
8:00 AM Chuck Wolfram, Bruce Soldner, Nick Voigt
9:30 AM Ken Leistico, Larry Westenberg, Wyatt Stowell, Oscar Stowell
10:30AM Blake Tonn, Blake Tonn II

Snow Removal: *(Week of 11/21)*

Team 2 Luke and Evan Hirschfeld

Register here



December 10
9-11am



CHRISTMAS FOR KIDS

St. John's School
402 S Main St, Juneau

for all children:
potty trained - 6th grade

920-386-4644
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Food Drive

During this challenging year, it is more important than ever to support our local food pantries. Would you consider donating to help those in need?

St. John's will host a food drive from Sunday, December 4 – Sunday, December 11. Proceeds will go local food pantries. They are accepting non-expired non-perishable food items and monetary gifts. Please consider participating and bringing your donation to any campus.

“Just as you did it for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it for me.” Matthew 25:40 (EHV)



Statistics 11/3-11/6

Offerings given to our Lord

General	\$16,569.00
Debt	\$150.00
Improvement	\$155.00
Lakeside	\$109.95
Missions	\$1,386.90
Total	\$18,370.85

Free-Will Offering - Little Lambs, Beloit
\$502.00

Attendance

403 (57, 39, 140, 83, 84)

At our Voter's Meeting, our congregation approved a weekly budget with an average total of \$19,490 (includes General, Lakeside and Missions) needed every week. Since the beginning of 2022, our congregation has gone from zero debt to drawing a total of \$106,101 from the line of credit. Please continue to support St. John's through your time, talents, treasures, and prayers. Thank you!

This Week at St. John's

Sunday (11/20)

Worship	8:00 & 10:30 AM – J
Worship	9:30 AM – SL
Bible Class	8:15 AM – SL, 9:30 AM – J
Sunday School	8:30 AM – SL, 9:15 AM – J
Blood Pressure Screening	9:00 AM - J

Monday (11/21)

Blood Drive	1:00-6:00 PM - J
Readings Bible Class	6:30 PM – J (narthex)

Tuesday (11/22)

Old Testament	6:30 PM – J
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Wednesday (11/23)

Thanksgiving Dinner	11:30 AM – J
Thanksgiving Worship	6:30 PM - J
Adult Choir	7:30 PM – J

Thursday (11/24)

Thanksgiving Worship	9:30 AM – SL
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Saturday (11/26)

Decorate Juneau	9:00 AM - J
Worship	5:00 PM – H

Sunday (11/27)

Worship	8:00 & 10:30 AM – J
Worship	9:30 AM – SL
NO Bible Class	
Sunday School	8:30 AM – SL, 9:15 AM – J
Decorate Lowell	10:30 AM - SL

Welcome to St. John's

WELCOME

We are so glad you joined us to worship our Lord Jesus today! St. John's is a member of the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod (WELS). We are happy to answer your questions about our service, our beliefs, or communicant membership at any of our campuses. Please join us again soon!

PERSONAL PRAYER AFTER WORSHIP

Good Shepherd, I was glad to be here, gathered with your flock to worship you. Cause the Word I have heard to take root in my heart and bear fruit in my life. Guide me in paths of righteousness, that my words and actions might lead others to glorify you. Amen.

Pastors & Assistant

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Joel Luetke	920-285-1351
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Karl Christie	262-309-8901

Principal

Richard Cody	920-386-4644
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Staff Minister

Ryan Kummerow	608-345-1900
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Worship Services

(same service at all locations)

Thursday

6:30pm Juneau

Saturday

5:00pm Horicon

Sunday

8:00am & 10:30 Juneau

9:30am Lowell

Bible Classes

Sunday

Juneau Campus

9:30-10:15

Salem-Lowell Campus

8:15-9:00 AM

Monday

Juneau Campus

6:30 PM

Tuesday (2nd, 4th, 5th)

Juneau Campus

6:30 PM

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