St. John Lutheran Church of Prairie Hill November 21, 2021 Please tune to 87.9 FM



*GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another. *Silence is kept for reflection.*

Have mercy on us, O God.

We confess that we have sinned against you and against our neighbor. We have built walls instead of tables and have turned away the stranger. We have sought glory for ourselves and have treasured that which does not satisfy. Help us to love as you love, to welcome those you send, and to treasure mercy and justice. Turn us from our ways to your ways, and free us to serve those in need. Amen.

God, who makes all things new, forgives your sins for + Jesus' sake and remembers them no more. Lift up your heads and your hearts. Yours is the kingdom of God. **Amen.**

*GATHERING HYMN

Soon and Very Soon

ELW #439

*PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING Isaiah 51:4-6

⁴Listen to me, my people, and give heed to me, my nation; for a teaching will go out from me, and my justice for a light to the peoples. ⁵I will bring near my deliverance swiftly, my salvation has gone out and my arms will rule the peoples; the coastlands wait for me, and for my arm they hope. ⁶Lift up your eyes to the heavens, and look at the earth beneath; for the heavens will vanish like smoke, the earth will wear out like a garment, and those who live on it will die like gnats; but my salvation will be forever, and my deliverance will never be ended. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSIVE READING Psalm 93

¹The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

²Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.

³The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

⁴Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.

⁵Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

SECOND READING Revelation 1:4b-8

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the first-born of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty. The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Lord to Whom Shall We Go

*GOSPEL Mark 13:24-37

²⁴But in those days, after that suffering, the sun will be darkened, and the moon will not give its light, ²⁵and the stars will be falling from heaven, and the powers in the heavens will be shaken. ²⁶Then they will see 'the Son of Man coming in clouds' with great power and

glory. ²⁷Then he will send out the angels, and gather his elect from the four winds, from the ends of the earth to the ends of heaven. ²⁸From the fig tree learn its lesson: as soon as its branch becomes tender and puts forth its leaves, you know that summer is near. ²⁹So also, when you see these things taking place, you know that he is near, at the very gates. ³⁰Truly I tell you, this generation will not pass away until all these things have taken place. ³¹Heaven and earth will pass away, but my words will not pass away. ³²But about that day or hour no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father. ³³Beware, keep alert; for you do not know when the time will come. ³⁴It is like a man going on a journey, when he leaves home and puts his slaves in charge, each with his work, and commands the doorkeeper to be on the watch. ³⁵Therefore, keep awake — for you do not know when the master of the house will come, in the evening, or at midnight, or at cockcrow, or at dawn, ³⁶or else he may find you asleep when he comes suddenly. ³⁷And what I say to you I say to all: Keep awake." The Word of our Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON Pastor Kris Brower

HYMN OF THE DAY

Crown Him with Many Crowns (v 1, 4, 5)

ELW #855

*THE APOSTLES CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

*PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Each petition of the prayers ends with the following response:

God, in your mercy, hear our prayer.

*PEACE

OFFERING HYMN Let the Vineyards Be Fruitful (twice) ELW #184

*OFFERTORY Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow ELW #885

*OFFERING PRAYER

Holy God, the earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

*SANCTUS p 153

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin.

Do this for the remembrance of me.

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

Now may these precious gifts of Christ's body and blood strengthen you and keep you in God's grace this day. **Amen**

*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Blessed Jesus, at this table, you have been for us both host and meal. Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet. **Amen.**

*BLESSING

God, the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life, + bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore. **Amen.**

*SENDING HYMN He is Lord (screen)

*DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.



Tuesday, November 23rd

6:30AM-8AM Food Pantry

9:00AM Quilting

Wednesday, November 24th

7:00PM Thanksgiving Eve Service at St. Matthew

Next Sunday, November 28th Advent

7:45AM Worship Service

9:00AM Sunday School

St. Matthew of Sandy Hill has asked us to join with them and help do a drive for supplies to send to the NALC Disaster Response warehouse.

Donation Items Needed:

- paper towels
- leather gloves
- 3 mil contractor trash bags

These items are needed to complete flood buckets.

\$25 gift cards to Lowe's, Home Depot, and Walmart are always needed.





Our Church Family:

Mavis Smith Janice Cordova Sydney Wagner Florence Bentke Ella Ruemke Helen Gaskamp **Emery Schulze** Gilbert Spinn Cynthia Wilson Verna Mae Sefcik Tom Bentke Linda King Jerry Randermann Connie Seward Justin Reuter Mary Ann Luce Dorothy Wiesepape Charles "Dutch" Schulze Marjorie Hohlt Mary Longhofer A.G. "Doc" & Allene Holtkamp Clarence Moehlmann Peggy & Milton Bosse John & Carol Haarmeyer

Those celebrating baptismal anniversaries: Shanan Marburger, Adrienne Reynolds, Kacie Wellbrock, Dillon Randermann, Brian Rosenbaum, Jess Boswell, Taylor Klatte, Keith Kroll,

Those celebrating wedding anniversaries: Robert & Annette Neuendorff, Glenn & Connie Mueller

Friends & Family:

Chad Westerfeld

Alyssa & Ezlyn Jones
Blake Bates
Carol Lieber
Christy Dallmeyer
Corrie Newland
Holly Haarmeyer Rodriquez
John Tuefel
Kathy Schrader
Missy Goldmith
Shannon Wellmann

Please notify the church office of any prayer request by simply writing a note on the back of your attendance card. Thank you!



Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God by Herbert, Jr. and Cathie Klatte in honor of their anniversary & Taylor's baptismal anniversary!

The holidays are a time when family and friends come together. As the family of KBTX prepares for the holidays, we invite you and your family to join us Wednesday, December 1st at the Washington County Expo in Brenham for the 26th Annual Food for Families Food Drive.

During this event we will broadcast live throughout the day as we work to alleviate hunger in the Brazos Valley. Shop any of your local grocery stores using the list below as a guide to help you support this incredible effort that benefits the Brazos Valley Food Bank and your local non-profit organizations. The Brazos Valley Food Bank relies on the generosity of the community at large for the majority of the food it distributes. Together we can make a difference.

Additional drop sites are located at the Brazos Center in Bryan, 5:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m., Pridgeon Community Center in Franklin, 6:00 a.m. — 7:00 p.m., St. Mary's, Lady of the Lourdes Catholic Church Hall in Caldwell, 6:00 a.m. — 7:00 p.m., Hearne Railroad Depot in Hearne, 6:00 a.m. — 7:00 p.m., Citizens State Bank in Navasota, 6:00 a.m. — 7:00 p.m. and the Son-Shine Center in Madisonville from 6:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

To your family, from our family at KBTX, HAPPY HOLIDAYS!



DONATION IDEAS

Please Remember, Non perishables only! No homemade or perishable items will be accepted. Canned Meats (tuna, chicken, ham, etc), Spaghetti Sauce/Tomato Products, Cereal (all sizes), Vegetables (canned), Chili, Fruits (canned), Peanut Butter, Rice, Ravioli, Pasta, Soups

Washington County Partner Agencies

Faith Mission, Burton Mobile Pantry, Washington Mobile Pantry, Bread Partners of Washington County & Prairie Hill Food Pantry

REACHING YOUR CHURCH OFFICE

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