

***Lord, be my consolation, My shield when I must die;
Remind me of your passion When my last hour draws nigh.
My eyes will then behold you, Upon your cross will dwell;
My heart will then enfold you Who dies in faith dies well!***

Easter

“Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o’er the grave.” 1 Corinthians 15:17-25

Hymn #157: “Jesus Christ is Ris’n Today”

**Jesus Christ is ris’n today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
Suffer to redeem our loss, Alleluia!**

**But the pains which he endured, Alleluia!
Our salvation has procured, Alleluia!
Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia!
Where the angels ever sing, Alleluia!**

Pentecost

“Crown him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above.” Matthew 25:31-40

Hymn #727: “Speak O Lord” (Supplement)

Offering

The members of Grace have joined together to do the Lord’s work in this community and around the world. Visitors need not feel obligated to participate in this offering which supports our ministry.

Prayer of the Church

Lord’s Prayer—traditional

End Times

“Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns for he is King of all.” Revelation 21:1-5

Closing Hymn #727: “There Is a Higher Throne” (Supplement)

Thank you to our weekend pianist, Amibeth Olderman.

We rejoice with Tyler & Danyelle Schmidt over the baptism of their daughter, Myah.

Last Week’s Attendance: Sunday 8:00 - #85, 10:45 - #36, Monday - #59 = Total - #180



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CHRIST *the* KING

**A Celebration of Christ’s Reign in the Seasons of the Church Year
November 26 & 27, 2017**

THE CHURCH YEAR

For centuries, the Christian Church has worshiped according to the Church Year. The Church Year begins in December with the season of Advent. The first six months of the church year (December through May) follow the life of Christ from his birth until his suffering, death, and resurrection on Easter Sunday.

The second six months of the church year (June - November) follow the teachings of Christ. We now close one Church Year and the begin another. To mark the end of this year, the Church celebrates the Season of Endtimes which concludes with Christ the King Sunday. Today we remember that the entire Church Year celebrates the rule of Christ over our hearts now and forever.

Thank you for joining us for worship this morning. In our service we gather before our almighty God to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God’s holy and powerful word.

If you are guest today, please take a moment to sign our guest register near the church entrance. Restrooms are located in the hallway directly opposite the entrance to the sanctuary. A Parent’s Room is located on the left as you walk out of worship. There is a TV with sound in this room for you to see & hear the service. Large print service folders are available. Speak to an usher.

CALL TO WORSHIP

Hymn #341: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" (verses 1-3)

**Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
And hail him as they matchless king Through all eternity.**

**Crown him the Lord of love—Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above, In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his won'dring eye at mysteries so bright.**

**Crown him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife For those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.**

RESPONSORY

P: 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.

C: 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 for ever and ever! Amen.

P: 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.

Hymn #341: "Crown Him with Many Crowns: (verse 4)

**Crown him the Lord of heav'n, enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King to whom is giv'n the wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns, as thrones before him fall;
Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns, for he is King of all.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY CHILDREN'S DEVOTION

Advent

"Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne." Luke 1:26-35

**Hymn #23: "Oh, Come, Oh, Come, Emmanuel" (verses 1-2 sung by soloist)
Oh, come, oh, come, Emmanuel, and ransom captive Israel.
That mourns in lowly exile here Until the Son of God appears.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you O Israel.**

**Oh, come, O key of David, come, and open wide our heav'nly home.
Make safe the way that leads on high, and close the path to misery.
Rejoice! Rejoice! Emmanuel shall come to you O Israel.**

Christmas

"Crown him the virgin's son, the God incarnate born." Isaiah 9:6-7

Hymn #62: "Joy to the World"

**Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King;
Let ev'ry heart prepare him room
And heav'n and nature sing, And heav'n and nature sing,
And heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.**

**He rules the world with truth and grace And makes the nations prove
The glories of his righteousness
And wonders of his love, And wonders of his love,
And wonders, wonders of his love.**

Epiphany

"Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways." Matthew 2:1-2, 9-12

Hymn #83: "As With Gladness Men of Old"

**As with gladness men of old Did the guiding star behold,
As with joy they hailed its light, Leading onward, beaming bright,
So, most gracious Lord, may we Evermore your foll'wers be.**

**As they offered gifts most rare At your cradle, rude and bare,
So may we with holy joy, Pure and free from sin's alloy,
All our costliest treasures bring, Christ, to you, our heav'nly King.**

Lent

"Crown him the Lord of love - behold his hands and sides." John 18:33-37; 19:14-16

Hymn #105: "O Sacred Head, Now Wounded"

**O sacred head, now wounded, With grief and shame weighed down,
Now scornfully surrounded, With thorns your only crown,
O sacred head, no glory Now from your face does shine;
Yet, though despised and gory, I joy to call you mine.**

This week's schedule, God willing....

TODAY: Worship 8:00 & 10:45am / Sunday School, Teen & Adult Bible Classes 9:20am

Mon: Worship 6:30pm

Tue: Catechism Class 5:30pm

Wed: Staff Meeting 8:45am / Bible Class @1:30pm only

Sun: Worship 8:00 & 10:45am / Pastor's recorded message broadcast on WCUB 9:15am
Sunday School, Teen & Adult Bible Classes 9:20am

Mon: Worship 6:30pm

Upcoming December Christmas Concerts and Programs:

- **Lakeshore Lutheran Chorale Concerts:** Saturday, Dec 9 @ St. Peter's, Mishicot, 3:00pm & Sunday, Dec 10 @ Immanuel, 3:00pm
- **Jesus' Lambs of Grace Preschool program:** Fri, Dec 15 at 10:30am - lunch to follow
- **Grace Children's program:** Sunday, Dec 17 10:45am - Practices will be held during the regular Sunday School times on Dec 3, 10 & 17. There will be one additional practice on Saturday, Dec 16 - time to be determined.
- **Jr. Lancer Band & Youth Choir Concert:** Sunday, Dec 17 at MLHLS 1:00pm
- **MLHS Christmas Concert:** Thu, Dec 21 at Capital Civic Center - 4:30 & 7:30pm

Advent Bible Classes:

- Sundays at 9:20am & 6:30pm - "Lost Books?" a study about why we have the books of the Bible that we have, and why other books were rejected.
- Wednesdays at 1:30 ONLY - we look at a 4 part study of Satan - "The Great Deceiver"

Midweek Advent Services will be held on Wednesday, Dec 6, 13 & 20 at 4:15 & 6:30pm.

On Wed, Dec 6th we will be doing a Potluck Supper between services. Can you bring something to share for this meal or help setup, serve or clean up after the meal? There is a sign up sheet on the Information Table.

Poinsettia deadline sign up Monday, Dec 4th. Sign up sheets and a canister to place your payment into are located on the red display table. The cost is \$5 per plant.

Ladies Advent by Candlelight deadline to sign-up is Monday, December 4th. The program "A Mother Remembers" will be presented on Sunday, Dec 10th. The doors to the fellowship hall will open at 2:00pm. Sign up sheets are located on the red display table.

December Open Forums:

- + **Sunday, December 10** between services
- + **Monday, December 11** following worship.

December Voter's Meeting: Tuesday, Dec 12 at 6:30pm. This meeting includes the elections to the three open Council Elder positions: MemberCare, Property and Worship.

Decorating Church: Can you help put up our Christmas decorations here at church on **Saturday, Dec 16 starting at 9:00am?** If so, please call the church office at 682-7377.

Manitowoc Health Care Center Gift Collection: The residents of the MHCC have enjoyed gifts from their Manitowoc neighbors. We will again be collecting donations of unwrapped gifts for them. There is a list of Suggested Gift Items printed on green paper and located on the end of the red display table. Please pick up a list and bring in your unwrapped gift **by Tue, Dec 5th** - this can be placed into the bin located next to this table.

Grace Office Assistant Position - if interested schedule your interview. Pastor is holding interviews with any Grace member interested in our this new part-time position. A job description is available on the office counter. Pastor would like to finish the interview process by December 1st.

"Opportunity to give to our ministry among our high school young people." Each Sunday our Grace high school students are invited to attend a Teen Bible class with Pastor. Several of our young people would like to attend the National Youth Rally at Bowling Green University in Bowling Green Ohio, from June 26 to June 29, 2018. Gifts to Grace marked for "Grace high school students" would be used to help cover expenses for this growing part of our ministry and help our young people afford attending the rally. They will be hosting the Advent Wednesday Supper between services on Wednesday, Dec 20.

MLHS SCRIP Tuition Assistance Program. As you begin your Christmas shopping, please keep in mind that you can purchase SCRIP certificates & gift cards from MLHS in advance to pay for your purchases at many local stores. These also make great gifts for that person on your list that is so hard to buy presents for! Using SCRIP can benefit both MLHS and families sending their children to MLHS. Extra brochures explaining how this program works and order forms are available on the Information table. You can also go to the MLHS website and find out how you can order and pay online.

Holiday Worship Schedule:

- + **Christmas Eve - Sunday**
 - Normal 8:00 & 10:45am worship
 - Evening Candlelight service at 5:00pm
- + **Christmas Day - 9:30am**
- + **New Years Eve - Sunday**
 - Normal 8:00 & 10:45am worship
 - New Year's Eve Worship 6:30pm
- + **New Years Day - NO worship**