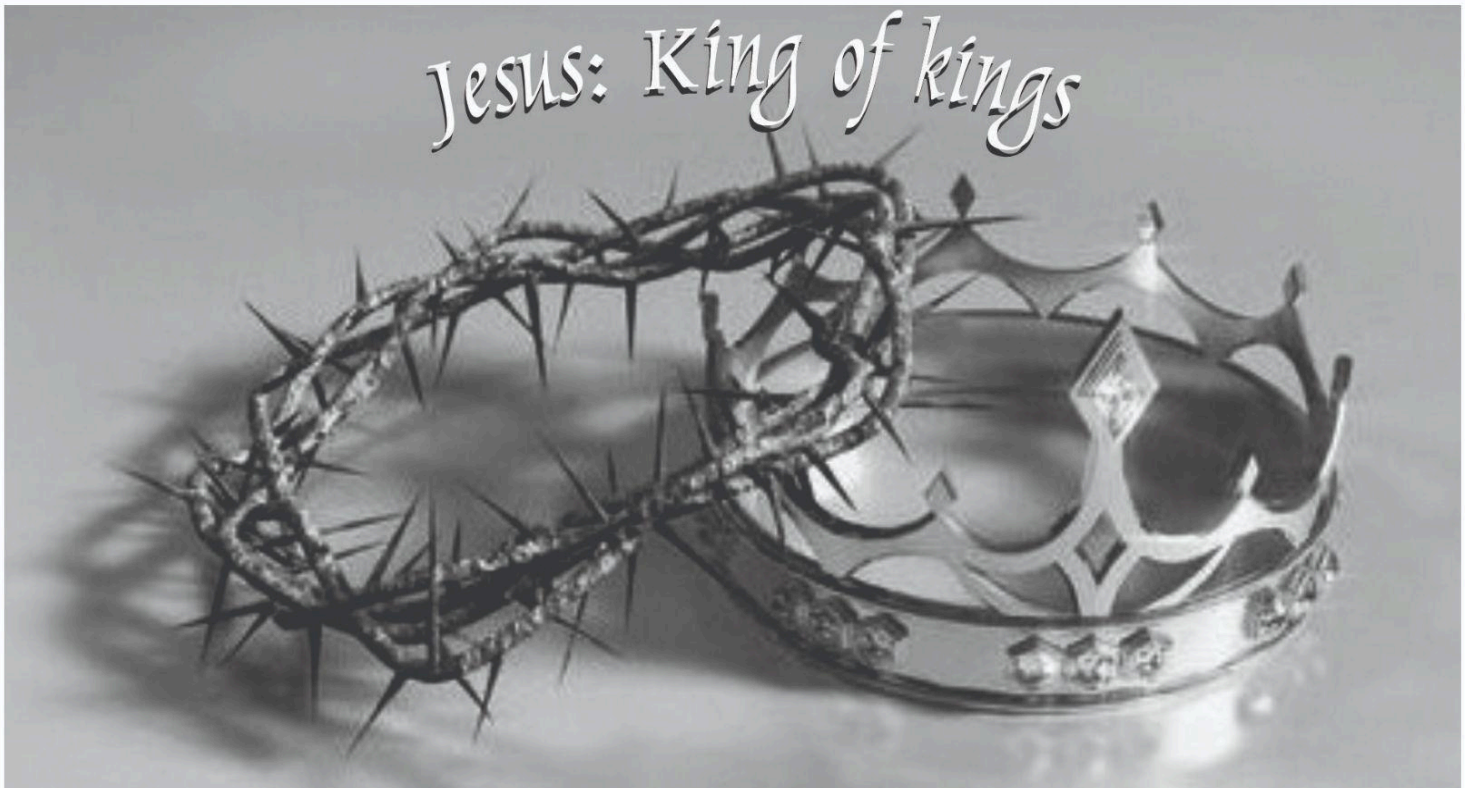

His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed. **Daniel 7:14**

Christ the King – Last Sunday of the Church Year
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CHRIST THE KING - LAST SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR
November 21/22, 2026

Welcome, Visitors! Members and Visitors please scan the QR code to sign our register.

PRAYER BEFORE WORSHIP: Almighty God, you sent your beloved Son Jesus Christ to live and die for us. And having raised him from death, you exalted him at your right hand to rule over our hearts and lives as the King of kings and Lord of lords. Send your Holy Spirit to rule in our hearts until the day we shall see you face to face and reign with you forever in your glorious kingdom on high. Bless us now, as with saints and angels we lift our voices to praise and glorify your holy name: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. Amen.

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ANTHEM *9:30am* ***Oh Come, Sing to the Lord*** arr. John Carter

O come, sing to the Lord! Lift your voices in adoration;
O worship the Lord with gladness, come offer a song!
O come, sing to the Lord! Lift your voices in adoration;
For we surely are his people, to him we belong!
O enter into his gates with thanksgiving and adoration,
O enter into his courts praising him with a song!
O come, sing of his goodness, of love never, never failing!
O worship the Lord with gladness, come offer a song!
O come, sing of his goodness, of love never, never failing!
O worship the Lord with gladness, come offer a song!
Come offer a song!

OPENING HYMN ***O Worship the King*** CW 620
9:30 & 11am Congregation will sing v.1,3,5 and choir will sing v. 2,4

Stand

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GLORY TO GOD pg. 191

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Be seated

ANTHEM 9:30 & *11am* ***At the Name of Jesus*** arr. Eugene Butler

At the name of Jesus ev'ry knee shall bow, ev'ry tongue confess him
King of glory now; 'tis the Father's pleasure we should call him Lord,
who from the beginning was the mighty Word.

At his voice creation sprang at once to sight, all the angel faces,
all the hosts of light, cherubim in heaven, stars upon their way,
all the heav'nly orders in their great array.

In your hearts enthrone him; there let him subdue all that is not holy,
all that is not true. Crown him as your captain in temptation's hour;
let his will enfold you in its light and pow'r.

FIRST LESSON Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

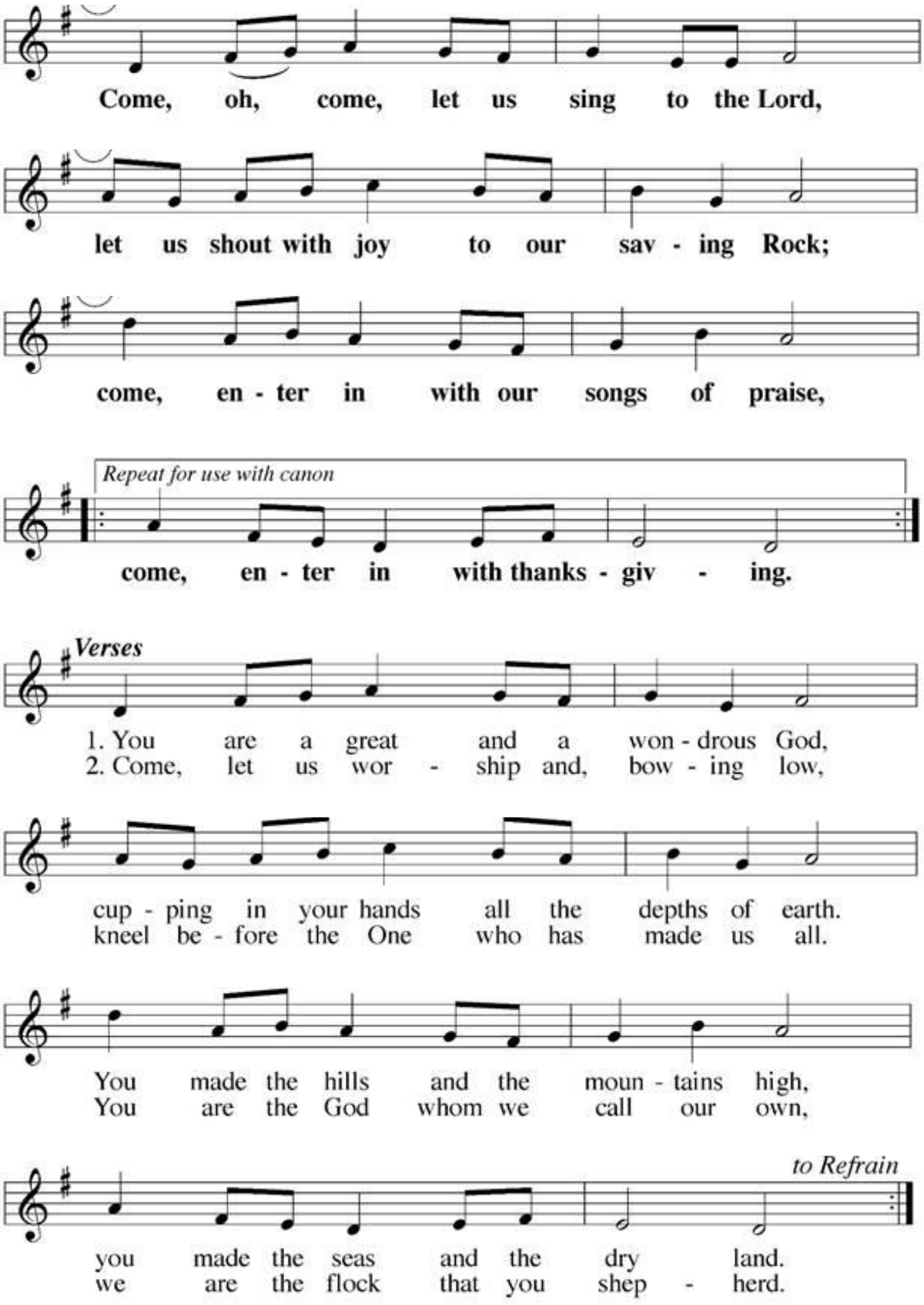
9 "As I looked, "thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his
seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like
wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels were all ablaze. 10 A
river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon
thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him.
The court was seated, and the books were opened.
13 "In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of
man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days
and was led into his presence. 14 He was given authority, glory and sovereign
power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His
dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom
is one that will never be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM OF THE DAY ***The Rock of Our Salvation*** Psalm 95
6:30pm & 8am

PSALM OF THE DAY ***O, Come, Let Us Sing to the Lord*** arr. Marty Haugen

9:30 & 11am The choir will sing the first refrain and the verses. The congregation will join on the subsequent refrains.



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SECOND LESSON 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

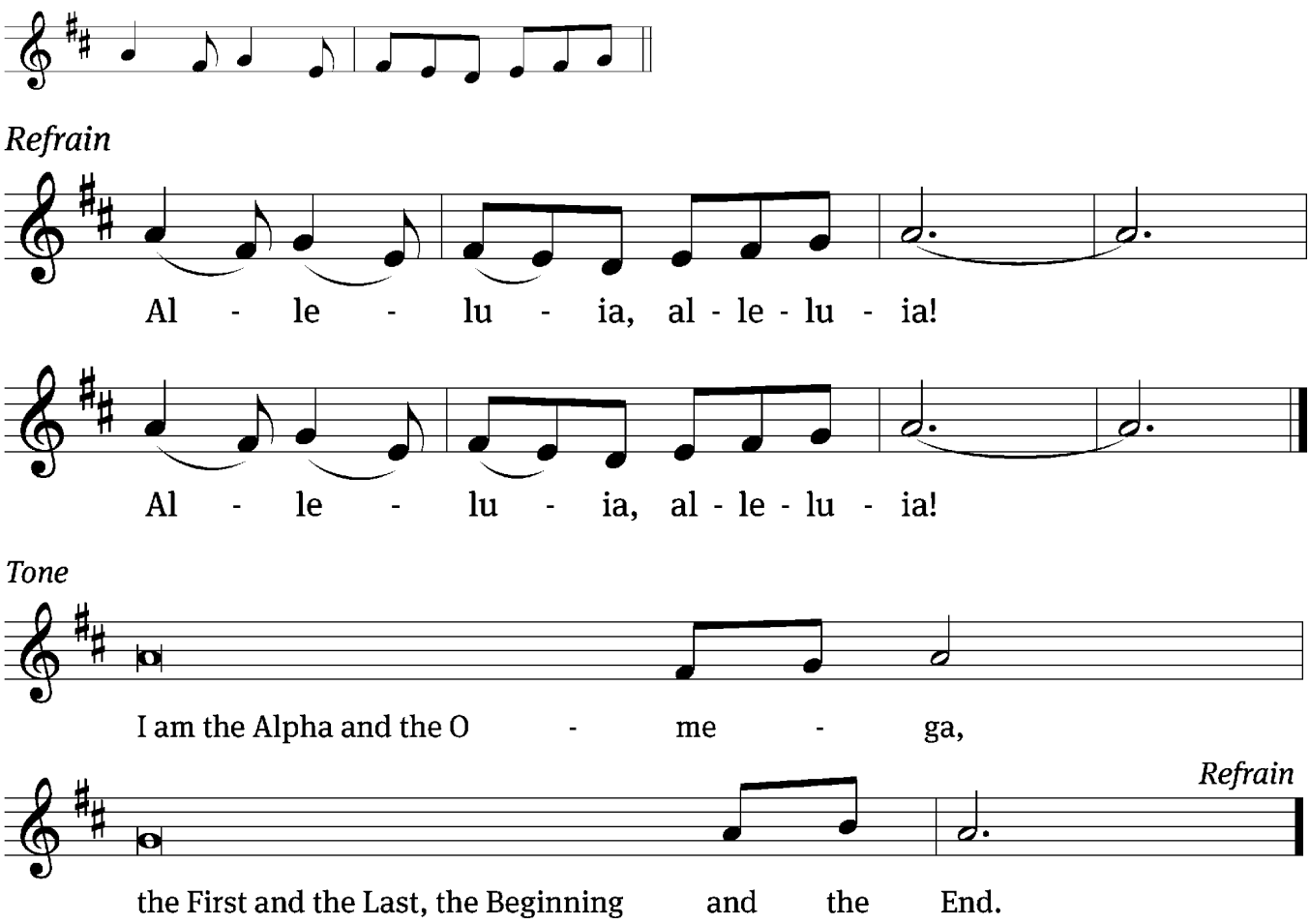
13 Brothers and sisters, we do not want you to be uninformed about those
who sleep in death, so that you do not grieve like the rest of mankind, who
have no hope. 14 For we believe that Jesus died and rose again, and so we
believe that God will bring with Jesus those who have fallen asleep in him.
15 According to the Lord's word, we tell you that we who are still alive, who
are left until the coming of the Lord, will certainly not precede those who
have fallen asleep. 16 For the Lord himself will come down from heaven,
with a loud command, with the voice of the archangel and with the trumpet
call of God, and the dead in Christ will rise first. 17 After that, we who are
still alive and are left will be caught up together with them in the clouds to
meet the Lord in the air. And so we will be with the Lord forever.
18 Therefore encourage one another with these words.

The Word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Stand

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Revelation 22:13



GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

31 “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him,
he will sit on his glorious throne. 32 All the nations will be gathered before
him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd
separates the sheep from the goats. 33 He will put the sheep on his right and
the goats on his left.
34 “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are
blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you
since the creation of the world. 35 For I was hungry and you gave me
something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a
stranger and you invited me in, 36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was
sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’
37 “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you
hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? 38 When

did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? [39] When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?'
[40] "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'
[41] "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. [42] For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, [43] I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.'
[44] "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?'
[45] "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.'
[46] "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

The Gospel of the Lord.
Praise be to you, O Christ!

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY ***All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*** CW 512

SERMON Reign Over Us, O King of Kings Daniel 7:9-10,13-14

Stand

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Be seated

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OFFERING

HYMN ***Crown Him with Many Crowns*** CW 511

Stand

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CLOSING HYMN ***Jerusalem the Golden*** CW 890

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TROMBONE	John Stoering and Jennifer Uher
VIOLIN	Nathanael Smith
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THIS WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sunday	8, 9:30 & 11 am	Worship
	9:30 am	Bible Class
	9:30 am	Sunday School
Tuesday	4 pm	Oak Hills Worship Service
Wednesday	6:30 pm	Thanksgiving Eve Service
	7:15 pm	Thanksgiving Pie Fellowship
Thursday	9 am	Thanksgiving Service
		Office Closed
Friday		Office Closed
Saturday	6:30 pm	Worship

NEXT WEEK AT ST. JOHN'S

Sunday, Nov. 29	8, 9:30 & 11 am	Worship
	9:30 am	No Bible Class or Sunday School
Monday, Nov. 30	4 pm	Oak Hills Worship Service
Wednesday, Dec. 2	11 am	Midweek Advent Service
	4 & 6:30 pm	Midweek Advent Service
	5 pm	Advent Meal
	7:30 pm	Choir
Thursday, Dec. 3	10 am	Bible Class
	7 pm	Bible Class
Saturday, Dec. 5	6:30 pm	Worship

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance last weekend was 581 with 466 receiving the Lord's Supper.

Fruits of Faith:

$9,587 Home Operations ~ YTD: $764,368 / Needed: $792,552
$1,053 WELS Missions ~ YTD: $77,495 (2026 Goal: $100,701)
$652 MVL ~ YTD: $50,115 (2026 Goal: $62,278)
$581 Building Fund
$6 Food and Fellowship
$110 St. Paul's School Building Fund
$520 K-12 Tuition Assistance Fund
$100 Technology Fund
$58 Miscellaneous Receipts

Givelify Scan the QR code to use the Givelify app and donate your offering.

Pastor Bovee Serving a Vacancy ~ Brothers and Sisters, please be aware that Pastor Bovee, who serves as the Circuit Pastor for the South New Ulm Circuit, is also the vacancy pastor for St. Paul's Lutheran Church in St. James, since their pastor took a call to another congregation. As a result, Pastor Bovee may be gone on some Sundays, and every Wednesday afternoon, to preach and teach Bible Class and Catechism in St. James. There are also other pastors and professors who will be helping out until God provides St. James with a new, permanent shepherd. Keep them in your prayers. If Pastor Bovee is absent, that is why. Thank you.

Thanksgiving Pie Fellowship ~ Join us for pie and fellowship on Wednesday, November 25 after the Thanksgiving service. The sign up sheet will be in the new narthex. Contact Jackie Hieb for more information.

Volunteers for Advent Meals ~ As we prepare for the Advent season, we are looking for volunteers to help serve our Advent meals for 12/2 and 12/16 from 4-6:30pm. If you would be willing to organize a group of 6–8 volunteers, please reach out to Kristen Hanevik at Kristen.hanevik@gmail.com. This is a wonderful opportunity to come together, serve others, and help make the season special for our church family. Food needs will be coming shortly!

The Twelve Days of Christmas ~ Scripture, Family, and Service. You're invited this Christmas season to join us for The Twelve Days of Christmas, a devotional series designed to help us grow in God's Word, strengthen our faith at home, and serve one another and our neighbors. Beginning December 25, each day will include a short Scripture reading, a devotional reflection, a question for family discussion, a prayer, and a simple activity or service opportunity. Together, we'll explore Scripture and reflect on the gift of Jesus, the Word made flesh, who continues to speak to us through his Word. The hope is that this shared experience will help us build meaningful devotional habits, grow together in faith, and carry the joy of Christmas into our homes, congregation, and community.

Christmas for Kids 2026 ~ Get ready for a morning full of fun at St. John's! Join us on Saturday, December 5th, from 8:30–11:00 a.m. for our annual Christmas for Kids event! Children in Pre-K through 4th grade are invited to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas with a morning of Bible study, festive crafts, Christmas music, and cookie decorating! Ready to join the fun? Sign up your children using the QR code below. We can't wait to celebrate the joy of Jesus' birth with your kiddos!

Christmas for Kids Food Donation ~ We are looking for food donations for Christmas for Kids! If you are able to help out, a sign up sheet is in the new narthex.

Advent by Candlelight and Tea ~ Ladies, you are all invited to a WELS Women's Ministry Advent by Candlelight program, "Questions of Christmas", to help us prepare our hearts for the coming of our Savior. This will be held at St. John's on Sunday, Dec. 6, at 2pm. We will share in readings, singing, light refreshments, tea/coffee and fellowship. Hope to see you there and feel free to bring a friend. A signup sheet to help us plan for refreshments is in the new narthex. For any questions contact Kara Johnson (763) 218-6622.

New Ulm Emergency Food Shelf ~ St. John's supports the New Ulm Emergency Food Shelf by providing volunteers to assist clients on the third Monday of each month from 11:45 a.m. to 3 p.m. Duties include accompanying clients as they select their food options based on distribution guidelines, weighing carts, and pushing them to the garage where the clients load their items into their cars. Three volunteers will serve on the third Monday each month. If you are interested in volunteering for 2027, please indicate your availability on the sign-up sheet in the narthex. For more information, call Carla Melendy (507-217-9750) or Deb Beatty (507-276-2722). In December, you will receive a schedule and guidelines for helping at the food shelf.

AREA ANNOUNCEMENTS

LMSG Ammo Can Campaign ~ Each May and November, Lutheran Military Support Group (LMSG) seeks donations in support of our military men, women, and families. LMSG, a partnership of ELS and WELS Veterans, is working to grow awareness of and bring Christian support to our Christian Warriors and their families in our congregations. By placing your gift in the Ammo Can located in the new narthex, you are supporting the spiritual and mental health of our Christian Warriors through programs like our retreats and workshops, educational support for pastors serving military families, Veterans pursuing a second career in public ministry, and more. Visit www.lutheranmilitary.org for more information. Thank you for standing Shoulder to Shoulder in Service with those who serve our Nation!

MLC Presents Wind Symphony Concert ~ Please join us on Sunday, November 22, at 3 pm in the MLC Auditorium for "In Every Season," a celebration of the experiences that shape us and the music that gives them voice. Whatever season we find ourselves in, there is something to hear, something to feel, and something worth celebrating.

School Building Campaign Bake Sale and Pancake Breakfast ~ With the 2026 Amazing Race, Dig In Gala, and .5K in the rear view mirror, the last Campaign event is coming up soon! This year's Bake Sale will be held on Saturday and Sunday, November 21 and 22, and the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, November 22. This joint event will benefit the St. Paul's School Building Campaign and will be held in the St. Paul's Church narthex and Fellowship Hall. It will be perfect timing for your Thanksgiving needs - pies, cakes, cookies, and more will be included in the bake sale. If you'd like to donate items for the bake sale, please drop those items in the church kitchen on Saturday, November 21. Please have them priced and ready to sell. If you'd like to volunteer to help the weekend of the event, you can find sign-up information at https://signup.com/go/TxTdXDd. Contact Amy Rich at stampinnut@me.com with your questions and suggested bake sale pricing information.

Job Opening at MLC ~ Female Dormitory Custodian: Helps care for the place that our female students call home during their time at MLC. Interested individuals should apply online at mlc-wels.edu/hr/.

About the Cover ~ The hymn writer reminds us that the head which once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now. Jesus Christ, who humbled himself to give his life as a ransom for our sin, is now not only exalted in heaven, but reigns eternally over all things, and will return in glory to take us to be with him in heaven. Jesus Christ is Lord of lords, and King of kings.