Our Stewardship of the Means of Grace:

Worship: 330 (41, 289)

Bible Study: 98 (7, 22, 28, 5, 10, 10, 10, 6) **Youth Study:** 13

Sunday 10:00 a.m. Sunday School, church basement

10:00 a.m. Band, school

6:30 p.m. His Word My Life Bible Study, church

Monday 7:00 a.m. His Word My Life Bible Study, church

7:00 p.m. Youth Group Bible Study, commons

7:00 p.m. Elders Meeting

7:30 p.m. Church Council

Tuesday 2:00 p.m. Bible Study, church

8:00 p.m. Choir

Wednesday 7:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Worship with Communion Thursday 9:00 a.m.: Thanksgiving Worship with Communion Sunday 8:00 a.m. Adult Christ-Light Bible Study, basement

8:00 a.m. Predestination Study, commons

9:00 a.m. Worship

10:00 a.m. Sunday School, church basement

6:30 p.m. His Word My Life Bible Study, church

Communion is a part of worship today. Because God speaks of communing together as an expression of unity in faith we practice close communion. All WELS/ELS members are welcome to commune with us. Visitors, please speak with the pastor or an elder before communing.

Adult Christ-Light Bible Study meets in the church basement Thursdays at 8:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m. Join us!

Predestination Bible Study Join us next Sunday as we continue the study, *Predestination*, a study from the People's Bible Teaching Series. We meet in the school commons at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday.

The Daze Before Christmas is the topic of our Tuesday afternoon Bible Study. This is another video study from the Fifth Pew From the Front series. It is entertaining and enlightening. If you have not joined us before, please come and give this timely study a try! We meet Tuesdays at 2:00 p.m. in the church basement. We will look at the conclusion to the commandments this week.

His Word My Life Bible Study meets Sunday at 6:30 p.m. and Monday at 7:00 a.m. in the church basement. We are studying *The Glory of the Gospel Ministry: A Study of 2 Corinthians*. Join us!

Advent by Candlelight There will be a short rehearsal right after church on Sunday for the small choir. If you signed up please find Amanda Humann and we will run through song. The sign up deadline is November 27. Please make sure to invite family members, friends and neighbors to this evening of preparing our hearts for the advent season. Please list all those who will be attending on sheets in basement.

Thanksgiving Worship Please join us for our Thanksgiving worship on Wednesday, Nov. 26 at 7:30 p.m. or Thursday, Nov. 27 at 9:00 a.m.

Food Collection We will collect food for the needy through Nov. 30. Please bring your donations to the church basement.

Poinsettia There is a sign up sheet in the church basement if you would like to purchase a poinsettia (\$7.00)to have in church during Advent.

Basketball schedules and directions to all games are located on the table next to the mailboxes in the church basement. Thanks for all the donated items for concessions. The sign up sheet has been exhausted!

Thanksgiving and Christmas cards are available in the church basement by the mailboxes.

Christmas for Kids will be Saturday, December 20 (9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.) and will again include lunch. This one day VBS style event is for 3 year olds through 6th graders. Register your children by signing up on the sheets in the church basement. In order to make this day a success, we need volunteers to help teach, make crafts, teach songs, and make and serve food. If you have never helped, please consider it! Being involved is a great experience and a great way to serve God and your congregation! Sign-up sheets are located in the church basement. A brief meeting will be held the week before. Watch for the exact date and time. Questions can be directed to Sarah Ihlenfeldt (864-2822 or jsbeam@centurytel.net).

Bread of Life Cookbooks There are still about 50 cookbooks (\$13.00) left for Christmas gifts. This will be the end of the cookbooks. They are located in the church basement by the cards or in the school office.

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End Time 4 Christ the King November 20 &

23, 2008

DEGLARE His Praises

Prayer before worship

Lord, open my eyes that I might see great things in your Word. Touch my heart with your sacrament so that I live for you. Amen.

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Service

Word and Sacrament (p. 26)

Personal Preparation for Holy Communion:

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Hymns

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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.

Special Music Sunday

Majesty Grades 5-8 (after prayer of the day)

Psalm of the Day:

Psalm 47 (p. 85)

Sermon: Ezekiel 34:11-16,23,24 God Promises He is our

Shepherd-King A promise we need

A promise we live under

End Time 4—Christ the King—Series A

Jesus reigns as King of kings because he laid down his life for his people.

First Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16,23,24

God expected his kings to gently lead his people by their godly words and actions. Instead, they exploited the people for their own purposes. It was time for God to intervene. He would tend his flock in their best interests. He said, "I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David." David, the shepherd-king of Israel, had been dead for almost four centuries. This is a prophecy of the Son of David, our Lord Jesus Christ, who would be the perfect Shepherd-King.

For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD. I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.

I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the LORD have spoken.

Psalm of the Day: Psalm 47 (p. 85)

God is the King of all the earth. Let the people praise him!

Second Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Christ's bodily resurrection from the dead is the guarantee that we will rise after him to be with him as he reigns over all things.

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. The last enemy to be destroyed is death. For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

Verse of the Day (sung by grades 5-8 on Sunday) Alleluia., I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia. (Rev. 22:13)

Gospel: <u>Matthew 27:27-31</u>

Never was pagan mockery more prophetic! Jesus is indeed the King of the Jews. He is the King of kings. Unlike other kings, our Savior is a King who conquers by allowing himself to be conquered.

Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

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Our mission is to honor God as we help people Grow in the Gospel and Go with the Gospel



Welcome! We thank God that you have joined us at worship today. Please sign our guest book near the double door entrance. Restrooms are in the basement near the double stairs.

Today we gather together in the very presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of all of our worship.