

Welcome to Worship



Christ the King Sunday

November 25, 2012

*Flowers placed on the Altar are in loving memory of
Robin Amberg's mother, Renee Stoltzman (Nov. 20, 2008).*

Jeremiah 36:1–8, 21–23, 27–28; 31:31–34

36 ¹In the fourth year of King Jehoiakim son of Josiah of Judah, this word came to Jeremiah from the LORD: ²Take a scroll and write on it all the words that I have spoken to you against Israel and Judah and all the nations, from the day I spoke to you, from the days of Josiah until today.

³It may be that when the house of Judah hears of all the disasters that I intend to do to them, all of them may turn from their evil ways, so that I may forgive their iniquity and their sin.

⁴Then Jeremiah called Baruch son of Neriah, and Baruch wrote on a scroll at Jeremiah's dictation all the words of the LORD that he had spoken to him. ⁵And Jeremiah ordered Baruch, saying, "I am prevented from entering the house of the LORD; ⁶so you go yourself, and on a fast day in the hearing of the people in the LORD's house you shall read the words of the LORD from the scroll that you have written at my dictation. You shall read them also in the hearing of all the people of Judah who come up from their towns. ⁷It may be that their plea will come before the LORD, and that all of them will turn from their evil ways, for great is the anger and wrath that the LORD has pronounced against this people." ⁸And Baruch son of Neriah did all that the prophet Jeremiah ordered him about reading from the scroll the words of the LORD in the LORD's house.

²¹Then the king sent Jehudi to get the scroll, and he took it from the chamber of Elishama the secretary; and Jehudi read it to the king and all the officials who stood beside the king. ²²Now the king was sitting in his winter apartment (it was the ninth month), and there was a fire burning in the brazier before him. ²³As Jehudi read three or four columns, the king would cut them off with a penknife and throw them into the fire in the brazier, until the entire scroll was consumed in the fire that was in the brazier. ²⁷Now, after the king had burned the scroll with the words that

Baruch wrote at Jeremiah's dictation, the word of the LORD came to Jeremiah: ²⁸Take another scroll and write on it all the former words that were in the first scroll, which King Jehoiakim of Judah has burned.

31 ³¹The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will make a new covenant with the house of Israel and the house of Judah. ³²It will not be like the covenant that I made with their ancestors when I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt — a covenant that they broke, though I was their husband, says the LORD. ³³But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. ³⁴No longer shall they teach one another, or say to each other, "Know the LORD," for they shall all know me, from the least of them to the greatest, says the LORD; for I will forgive their iniquity, and remember their sin no more.

Jeremiah Writes a Scroll Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; 31:31-34

Key Verses: “But this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, says the Lord: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts; and I will be their God, and they shall be my people.” Jeremiah 31:33

Time: About 620 B.C.E.

Since Last Week: Jeremiah was a prophet who spoke during the time when Egypt held power over Judah, and then when Babylon conquered Egypt and took over rule of Judah. Jeremiah spoke between the writings of First Isaiah and Second Isaiah.

Background: When the Babylonian king, Nebuchadrezzar, conquered Judah, he did three things that weakened the Israelites' faith in God. First, he destroyed the kingly succession of David that God had promised 400 years earlier. Second, he destroyed the temple of Solomon. Finally, he shattered the Israelites' faith in an invincible Jerusalem. Jeremiah proclaimed that God caused the people's suffering in response to the Israelites' sinful ways. Jeremiah wrote his words on a scroll, perhaps offering relief from suffering if they changed their ways. But King Jehoiakim burned the scroll, and power shifted from Egypt to Babylon, ending his reign. God promised to write the law on people's hearts so that they would know God, even in the time of

turmoil.

Community: Is it possible to change the behavior of an entire community? What part might you play in improving your community's behavior?

At Home: What does it mean for you that God has written God's word on your heart? What evidence will others find that God's word is written on your heart?

Read This Week:

Monday: *Israel Is Like an Unfaithful Spouse*, Jeremiah 3:1-5, 4:1-4

Tuesday: *Mourning for the People*, Jeremiah 8:18-9:3

Wednesday: *God Will Restore Israel*, Jeremiah 16:14-21

Thursday: *The Potter and the Clay*, Jeremiah 18:1-11

Friday: *Lamenting a Fallen City*, Lamentations 1:1-22

Saturday: *God Will Restore Israel and Judah*, Jeremiah

Table Prayer for the Week

Faithful God, you write your commands on our hearts. We do them, not to gain benefit or favor from you, but solely because you have written them on our hearts. We can do no other. Help us realize that when we take matters into our own hands, it is then we start to "mess things up". Draw us to a greater faith in you. Bless the food we are about to eat. May the food strengthen us for joyful and loving service in your name. Amen.

PRAYERS OF HEALING & STRENGTH

*David Rahn	[C Johnson]	*Joanna Cook	[S Hausken]
*Diana Adkins	[B Hennen]	*Sonja Fostvedt	[B Fostvedt]
*Jim Stadtherr	[J Stadtherr]	*Sean Ziesmer	[E Ziesmer]
*Ashley Frank	[D Sagedahl]	*Tony Schmoll	[K Ziesmer]
*Joann Hawkinson	[Family]	*Joyce Harguth	[S Bratsch]
*Rosalie Sheggeby	[N Hague]	*Marie Peterson	[M Hausken]
*Donna Boese	[K van der Hagen]	*Peggy Evenson	[J Evenson]

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING

*For the gift of giving.

Adding loved ones to the Prayer & Praise Lists:

- Please gain permission.
- Fill out a request form: found in the pews, office, or at crossofcalvary.net
- Names will remain on the list for a maximum of one month.
- Please resubmit names whenever needed.

COMING UP THIS WEEK

25 Sun	WORSHIP NO Sunday School	8:30am/10:30am
26 Mon	Ruth Unit Library reserved	1:30pm 6:30-8:00pm
27 Tues	Men’s Bible Study-Church	6:15, 7:00am
28 Wed	Men’s Bible Study @ Parkview Assemble the Follower WOW	9:00am 1:00pm 3:15-4:30pm
	Confirmation Advent Service	5:30-7:00pm 7:00pm
29 Thur		
30 Fri		
01 Sat	WORSHIP	5:30pm
02 Sun	WORSHIP Sunday School Gal’s Holiday Dinner	8:30am/10:30am 9:30am 6pm

DECEMBER

09	Baptism – Grund	16	Christmas Program 10:30
16	CLOCK Christmas party	17	Ruth Unit
20	Dorcas Unit	23	NO Sunday school
24	Christmas Eve	30	NO Sunday school

COMMUNION

Dec 2, 16, 24 Jan 6, 20

ADVENT SERVICES at 7pm

Dec 5, 12, 19

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES will be held on Dec. 24th at 4:30pm and 10:00pm

The VOLUNTEER LIST IS ON THE BOARD

Communion

NOV	8:30	J Grund	10:30	K Larson
DEC	8:30	G Blem	10:30	C Johnson
Christmas Eve	4:30	G Blem	10:00	C Johnson

Altar Guild

NOV	B Miller, J Schultes, S Erickson
DEC	

Acolytes

NOV	E Skeie, M Fennern
DEC	E Hatch, K Bratsch

Ushers

NOV	8:30 – D Hagen, G Hagen, J Kopacek, C Lund
	10:30 – B Wertish, J Wertish, J Rock, R Johnson

DEC 8:30 – S Johnson, R Feil, K Larson, R Nelson
 10:30 – R Pietig, A Pietig, H Pietig, R Elbert
 Christmas Eve
 4:30 -
 10:00 -



Tech Team

NOV 25 8:30 S Ericson 10:30 C Lund
 DEC 2 8:30 10:30
 DEC 16 8:30 10:30

Coffee Host

NOV 25 DEC 2 Youth DEC 16
 DEC 23 DEC 30

Readers and Altar Flowers - The sign-up sheet is on the board

Inviting and Welcoming - Join Pastor Matt, Bishop John and others from the area for an evening of renewal. Six to eight folks from our church will come away with a “toolbox” for simple committee, council and congregational renewal. Talk to Pastor Matt about the details. Tues, Nov. 27, 6-8pm at Glory Dei Lutheran Church in Redwood. Carpooling will be available.

Snowflake Bazaar Sat, Dec 1st. 11am—1pm

Join us for the Christmas Attic, Silent Auction, and Bake Sale. And as always... the luncheon is fantastic! If you can lend a hand setting up on Friday night or help out on Saturday, your time and dedication is appreciated!



Christmas Attic donations

- Accepted beginning Monday, November 19.
- Leave items on the table and along the south wall in the library.
- Please do not bring items early, as our library is used often.
- Not accepted: garland, trees, old jewelry.

Order Your Poinsettias to place in the church for Christmas. The Altar Guild will be taking orders beginning Nov 24 through Dec 9, and will be in the Narthex each Sat/Sun and on Wed evenings at Advent services.

College freshmen (PARENTS): A Christmas Care Package has been put together by our Parish Life Committee for your son/daughter. It is available in the office for pick up prior to Nov 26. If the package needs to be mailed, please contact the office.

Decorate the Church for Christmas - TODAY, beginning at 3pm (after the Vikings win). No experience necessary, just need plenty of hands to help set up the tree, hang the garland, put up the banners, etc. If you have any questions, please call Laurie in the office.



Gal's Holiday Dinner: Open for all ages. Sun., Dec. 2 at 6pm. Registration needed – please sign up on the Youth Board. Don't forget your friends! Spaghetti, garlic toast, green beans or corn, salad and beverage. Cost is \$4.00 at the door.

Thank you: I would like to thank my church family for remembering me with prayer, cards and goodies after returning home from the hospital. A special thank you goes to those who provided Comfort Meals. They were greatly appreciated. –Lilly Kern

Assemble the Follower – Wed, Nov 28, at 1pm. Takes about an hour.

“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. 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, 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.’ ” –Matthew 25:34-40

New group focused on Recovery & Spirituality meets Thursdays, 7-8 pm, at Faith United Methodist Fellowship Hall, 202 S 9th St, Olivia. Christian based, all are welcome. Questions: Pastor Russ Jacobsen (320) 579-0255

Friends of the Arts presents *“The 1940s Christmas Carol”* at the RCW Small Gym/Theatre, Adults \$15, Students \$10, Nov 29-30, 7:30 pm Dec 1, 7:30 pm, Dec 2, 2:30 pm

Santa's Closet Donations accepted Nov 12 - Dec 13.

Place NEW/UNWRAPPED- toys, clothing, personal items, small appliances, (don't forget the teenagers) in the Narthex. Volunteers are appreciated. Please call Sandy Kubesh 522-0106

