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Second Sunday of End Time - Last Judgment

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Worship Service

To conduct this liturgy in the home, the head of the household is to serve as the Minister. The remaining people who have gathered will be the Congregation.

Invocation

Minister: In the name of the Father, and of the Son ✠, and of the Holy Spirit.

Congregation: Amen.

Confession & Absolution

M: Most merciful and gracious God,

C: we confess our sins to you.

M: Our sins of thought:

C: We have doubted your power and your promises; we have plotted wickedly.

M: Our sins of word:

C: We have spoken in anger and in ways that are belittling; we have argued against your good and gracious will.

M: Our sins of deed:

C: We have hoarded your gifts selfishly and have defiled ourselves with all manner of evil.

M: We hunger and thirst for righteousness.

C: Therefore, we beg you, for the sake of Jesus Christ, your Son, to forgive our sins. Fill us with his perfect righteousness that we may live as your Spirit directs us, filled with all the fullness of God.

(Silence for reflection and self-examination)

M: "I am the Bread of Life," says Jesus Christ. "Whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst."

C: Lord, give us this bread always.

M: Jesus Christ was crucified, died, and was buried to pay the full price for our sins. For his sake your sins are forgiven. He will raise you up on the last day, and you will live forever with him.

C: As the books are opened, Lord, see Christ's righteousness credited to me by the gift of faith! Amen.

Prayer of the Day

M: Let us pray.

Lord God Almighty, govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you. We ask this through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

THE WORD OF GOD

EHV TRANSLATION

*The Word of God, hymn, and sermon are on the zionleads Youtube channel,
available at zionleads.org*

First Lesson

Daniel 7:9-10

I continued to watch until thrones were set up, and the Ancient of Days was seated. His clothing was white as snow, and the hair on his head was like pure wool. His throne was flames of fire. Its wheels were blazing fire. A river of fire flowed out from his presence. Thousands upon thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and books were opened.

Second Lesson

Revelation 20:11-21:7

Then I saw a great white throne and the one who sat on it. The earth and the sky fled from his presence, and no place was found for them. I also saw the dead, great and small, standing in front of the throne, and books were opened. Another book was also opened, which is the Book of Life. The dead were judged by the things written in the books, according to what they had done. The sea gave up the dead that were in it, and Death and the Grave gave up the dead that were in them, and they were judged, each one according to what he had done. Death and the Grave were thrown into the Lake of Fire. The Lake of Fire is the second death. If anyone's name was not found written in the Book of Life, he was thrown into the Lake of Fire. Then I saw a new heaven and a new earth, because the first heaven and the first earth had passed away. And the sea no longer existed. And I saw the Holy City, the New Jerusalem, coming down out of heaven from God, prepared as a bride adorned for her husband. And from the throne I heard a loud voice that said, "Look! God's dwelling is with

people. He will dwell with them, and they will be his people. God himself will be with them, and he will be their God. He will wipe away every tear from their eyes. There will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain, because the former things have passed away." The one who was seated on the throne said to me, "Look, I am making everything new!" He also said, "Write, for these words are trustworthy and true." And he said to me: It is done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the Beginning and the End. To anyone who is thirsty, I will give freely from the spring of the water of life. The one who overcomes will inherit these things. I will be his God, and he will be my son.

Gospel

John 4:7-13

A woman from Samaria came to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." (His disciples had gone into town to buy food.) The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" (For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.) Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him, and he would have given you living water." "Sir," she said, "you don't even have a bucket, and the well is deep. So where do you get this living water? You are not greater than our father Jacob, are you? He gave us this well and drank from it himself, as did his sons and his animals." Jesus answered her, "Everyone who drinks this water will be thirsty again, but whoever drinks the water I will give him will never be thirsty ever again. Rather, the water I will give him will become in him a spring of water, bubbling up to eternal life."

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Salvation unto Us Has Come

1 Sal - va - tion un - to us has come By God's free grace and
 2 What God does in his law de - mand And none to him can
 3 It is a false, mis - lead - ing dream That God his law has
 4 Yet as the law must be ful - filled Or we must die de -

fa - vor. Good works can - not a - vert our doom;
 ren - der Brings wrath and woe on ev - 'ry hand
 giv - en That sin - ners can them - selves re - deem
 spair - ing, Christ came and has God's an - ger stilled,

They help and save us nev - er. Faith looks to
 For man, the vile of - fend - er. Our flesh has
 And by their works gain heav - en. The law is
 Our hu - man na - ture shar - ing. He has for

Je - sus Christ a - lone, Who did for all the
 not those pure de - sires The spir - it of the
 but a mir - ror bright To bring the in - bred
 us the law o - beyed And thus the Fa - ther's

world a - tone; He is the one Re - deem - er.
 law re - quires, And lost is our con - di - tion.
 sin to light That lurks with - in our na - ture.
 venge - ance stayed Which o - ver us im - pend - ed.

5 Since Christ has full atonement made
 And brought to us salvation,
 Each Christian therefore may be glad
 And build on this foundation.
 Your grace alone, dear Lord, I plead;
 Your death is now my life indeed,
 For you have paid my ransom.

6 All blessing, honor, thanks, and praise
 To Father, Son, and Spirit,
 The God who saved us by his grace —
 All glory to his merit!
 O Triune God in heav'n above,
 You have revealed your saving love;
 Your blessed name be hallowed!

Sermon

Sermon Text

The Books Were Opened...

Daniel 7:9-10

Thank Offering to the LORD

"Each person should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that in all things at all times, having all that you need, you will abound in every good work."

2 Corinthians 9:7-8

To give online simply click on the "Give" button on the home page of the church website in the upper righthand corner and follow the instructions. Or if you wish, you may also save up your offerings and bring them to the house of the Lord when we can once again worship together as the family of believers.

Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, 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.

Special Prayers may Follow

Explanation of the Third Article _____ (Luther's Small Catechism)

I believe that I cannot by my own thinking or choosing
believe in Jesus Christ, my Lord, or come to him.

But the Holy Spirit has called me by the gospel,
enlightened me with his gifts,
sanctified and kept me in the true faith.

In the same way he calls, gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies
the whole Christian church on earth,
and keeps it with Jesus Christ in the one true faith.

In this Christian church he daily and fully forgives all sins to me and all believers.

On the Last Day he will raise me and all the dead and give eternal life
to me and all believers in Christ.

This is most certainly true.

Closing Prayer _____

M: Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart so that being strengthened and comforted by your Holy Word, we may cling to the blessed hope of everlasting life, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Benediction _____

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

C: Amen.

