



Weekly Scripture Readings & Sermon Summaries

November 2026

The Saint in the Sycamore

November 1, 2026 – All Saints' Day

Rev. Daniel Eggold – Guest Pastor

Zacchaeus, the wealthy tax collector, climbed a sycamore tree just hoping to catch a glimpse of Jesus. But Jesus saw him first — calling him down, staying at his house, and bringing salvation to a sinner. On this All Saints' Day, rejoice that Jesus spots you too, wherever you are, and makes sinners His saints.

Sermon Text: Luke 19:1-10

Readings: Psalm 130; Habakkuk 1:1-4, 2:1-4; Luke 19:1-10

Featured Choirs: St. Peter's Adult Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Holy Cross Treble Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: St. Peter's Lutheran Church, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Does Jesus Know You?

November 8, 2026 – Twenty-fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Scott Zeckzer

Jesus is coming. Are you ready for His coming again? While it is important to know Jesus, it is more important that Jesus knows you.

Sermon Text: Matthew 25:13

Readings: Psalm 70:1-5; 1 Thessalonians 4:13-18; Matthew 25:1-13

Featured Choirs: Zion Lutheran School, Decatur, Ind.; Holy Cross Sanctuary Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: Wellspring Lutheran Services, Monroe, Mich.

The Breastplate and Helmet

November 15, 2026 – Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost

Rev. Dr. Walter Maier III

Our spiritual enemies - the devil, the unbelieving world, and our own sinful nature - are constantly trying to put fear, worry, discouragement, and sinful anger into our hearts, and

falsehood and deception into our minds. Thus, the apostle Paul urges us to put on the breastplate and helmet - equipment from God. With these we will be protected from our enemies.

Sermon Text: 1 Thessalonians 5:8

Readings: Psalm 90:1-12; 1 Thessalonians 5:1-11; Matthew 25:14-30

Featured Choir: St. John Lutheran School, Plymouth, Wis.

Featured Art and Architecture: St. John Lutheran Church, Marysville, Ohio

We Are What We See!

November 22, 2026 – Last Sunday of the Church Year

Rev. Dr. Thomas Ahlersmeyer

What are your eyes fixed upon? In Jesus' parable of the sheep and the goats, two groups stand before the king equally surprised; yet their lives were shaped by entirely different visions. Discover how focusing on yourself blinds you to Christ, while focusing on Jesus opens your eyes to the people and needs He places before you. Truly, we are what we see!

Sermon Text: Matthew 25:37, 44

Readings: Psalm 95:1-7a; 1 Corinthians 15:20-28; Matthew 25:31-46

Featured Choirs: Holy Cross Angelis Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Christ Our Rock Lutheran High School, Centralia, Ill.

Featured Art and Architecture: Christ Our King Lutheran Church, Saline, Mich.

Come Lord, Come

November 29, 2026 – First Sunday in Advent

Rev. Scott Zeckzer

Are you ready for the Lord's coming? He is coming on the Last Day in power and might, but until that time, He comes in humbleness and mercy.

Sermon Text: Isaiah 64:1

Readings: Psalm 80:1-7; Isaiah 64:1-9; Mark 11:1-10

Featured Choirs: St. Peter's Adult Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.; St. Michael Adult Choir, Fort Wayne, Ind.; St. Paul's Choristers, Fort Wayne, Ind.

Featured Art and Architecture: Emanuel Lutheran Church, New Haven, Ind.