

NOVEMBER 26, 2023 | *Christ The King Sunday*

WELCOME TO WORSHIP

Welcome to our worship service today! We are glad to have you with us as we gather before our almighty and saving God to hear His holy and powerful Word and celebrate His life-giving Sacraments, offering our prayers and praises as He strengthens our faith and brings us ever closer to our eternal home with Him.

SERVICE NOTES

Lord, keep us joyful in Christ our King! On this last Sunday of the Church Year, we rejoice in the fulfilment of God's plan for our salvation through Christ our King. And we rejoice because our King reigns—the King who once came as a sacrifice; the King who still shepherds us day by day; the King who one day will conquer all our enemies. Rejoice in His reign and look forward to the day when every knee will bow before the King of kings and Lord of lords!

If you need any assistance, please ask any of our ushers for help. In inclement weather, or if walking from your car is difficult, please make use of the carport. The ushers will gladly park and/or retrieve your car for you if needed.

If you are a visitor with us today, please sign the Guest Book before you leave today (the black binder in the front of church). If you would like to learn more about our church or are interested in church membership, please speak with the Pastor or one of the Elders.

If you have small children, please note there is a Parents' Room at the rear of the sanctuary if you need to temporarily calm a child, but we are caring, loving and happy to hear your child/children. From the Parents' Room you can still see, hear, and participate in the worship service.

For your convenience today's order of service is printed on the following pages. It is based on the Order of Morning Service, found on p. 5ff. in *The Lutheran Hymnal*.

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Minister

Rev. Michael Dietz

Organist

Deb Meyer

Elder on Duty

Sunday: Dan Lindquist

Ushers on Duty

David Diestler, Charles Hartwig, Joseph Massie, Jr.

Altar Guild

Barbara Hartwig & Sue Wallenfang

The Order of Morning Service

Please stand.

OPENING HYMN

Oh, For a Thousand Tongues to Sing | 360

INVOCATION AND CONFESSION OF SINS

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



M: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God, our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

Our help is in the name of the Lord.



M: I said, I will confess my transgressions to the Lord.



M: Almighty God, our Maker and Redeemer, we poor sinners confess unto You that we are by nature sinful and unclean, and that we have sinned against You by thought, word, and deed. Therefore, we flee for refuge to Your infinite mercy, seeking and imploring Your grace for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ.

C: O most merciful God, You have given Your only-begotten Son to die for us; have mercy upon us and for His sake grant us remission of all our sins; and by Your Holy Spirit increase in us true knowledge of You, and of Your will, and true obedience to Your Word, to the end that by Your grace we may come to everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

M: Almighty God, our heavenly Father, has had mercy upon us and has given His only-begotten Son to die for us, and for His sake forgives us all our sins. To all who believe on His Name He gives power to become the children of God, and has promised them His Holy Spirit. He who believes and is baptized shall be saved. Grant this, Lord, unto us all!

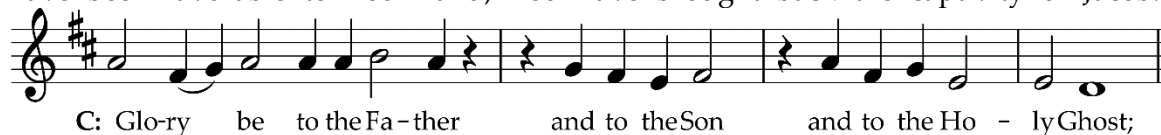


You may be seated.

THE INTROIT & GLORIA PATRI

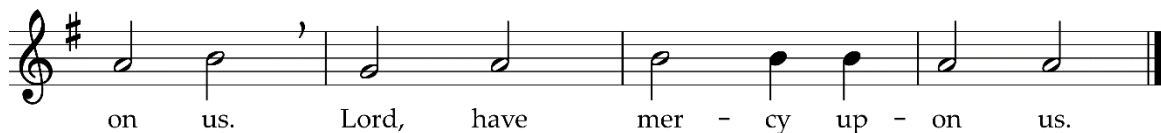
Jeremiah 29:11-14

M: I know the thoughts that I think toward you, says the Lord thoughts of peace and not of evil. Then you shall call upon Me and pray to Me, and I will hearken unto you and I will turn your captivity and gather you from all nations and from all places. Lord, You have been favorable to Your land; You have brought back the captivity of Jacob.



THE KYRIE—LORD, HAVE MERCY

Psalms 123:3



GLORIA IN EXCELSIS—"GLORY TO GOD IN THE HIGHEST"

Luke 2:14



C: Glory be to God on high: And on earth peace, good will toward
men. We praise Thee, we bless Thee, we wor - ship Thee,
we glorify Thee, we give thanks to Thee, for Thy great glory.
O Lord God, heav'n-ly King, God the Fa - ther Al - mighty.
O Lord, the only begotten Son, Je - sus Christ; O Lord God,
Lamb of God, Son of the Father, That takest away the sin of the
world, have mercy up - on us. Thou that takest away the sin of the
world, re - ceive our prayer. Thou that sittest at the right hand of God the

Father, have mercy up - on us. For Thou only art holy; Thou
on - ly art the Lord. Thou only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly
Ghost, art most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

THE SERVICE OF THE WORD

THE SALUTATION AND COLLECT OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.

C: And with thy spir - it.

Please stand.

C: A - men.

M: Let us pray: Lord God, heavenly Father, make us watchful and heedful in awaiting the coming of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, that when He shall stand at the door and knock, He may find us not sleeping in carelessness and sin, but awake and rejoicing in His appearance; through the same, Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever. Amen.

You may be seated.

FIRST LESSON: EZEKIEL 34:11-16, 23-24

¹¹“For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. ¹²As 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. ¹³I 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. ¹⁴I 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. ¹⁵I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign Lord. ¹⁶I 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.

²³I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. ²⁴I the Lord will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the Lord have spoken.

SECOND LESSON: 1 CORINTHIANS 15:20-28

²⁰But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²²For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³But each in turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. ²⁴Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷For he “has put everything under his feet.” [a]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. ²⁸When 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.

GRADUAL

Revelations 19:12,16

M: Alleluia. On his head are many crowns. He has a name written on him that no one knows but he himself. On his robe and on his thigh he has this name written: KING OF KINGS, LORD OF LORDS.



Please stand.

GOSPEL LESSON: MATTHEW 27:27-31



²⁷Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. ²⁸They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. ³⁰They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. ³¹After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

M: This is the Gospel of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.



THE APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord; Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary; Suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence He shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Christian Church, the communion of saints; The forgiveness of sins; The resurrection of the body; And the life everlasting. Amen.

You may be seated.

CHOIR

The Tree of Life

HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name | 339

Please stand for the singing of the final stanza.

SERMON – REVELATIONS 1:4b-8

Glory to the King of Kings

Please stand.

THE OFFERTORY

Cre - ate in me a clean_ heart, O God, and re - new a right.

spir - it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from Thy pres - ence;

and take___ not Thy Ho - ly Spi - rit from me.

Re - store un - to me the joy of Thy sal - va - tion;

and up - hold me with___ Thy___ free spir - it. A - men.

You may be seated.

THE OFFERING

Please stand.

THE PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

ALL: 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.

You may be seated.

HYMN

Crown Him With Many Crowns | 341

Please stand.

COLLECT OF THE WORD

M: Blessed Lord, since You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning, grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and take them to heart, that by the patience and comfort of Your holy Word we may embrace and ever hold fast the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one true God, now and forever.



THE BENEDICTION

M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and give you peace.



CLOSING HYMN

O Jesus, King Most Wonderful | 361

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS - Thanks to Joseph and Audra Massie for sponsoring the altar flowers this morning, in honor of their 39th wedding anniversary. If you are interested in sponsoring altar flowers, please sign up on the flower chart in the fellowship hall.

SNACK SPONSORS – Thanks to the Massie’s for sponsoring and serving snacks during our fellowship time this morning! If you’re interested in sponsoring and serving snacks, please sign up on the sheet in the fellowship hall!

THANK YOU – Thank you, Pastor Dietz, for conducting our service today.

WOMEN ON A MISSION – Women on a Mission is having a family movie afternoon **TODAY** at 2:30 p.m. We will play a movie classic, “It’s a Wonderful Life,” and serve popcorn and snacks. We hope you can join us to enjoy fellowship and a relaxing, fun time.

ADVENT SUPPERS – The Kitchen Committee posted a sign-up sheet for the Advent Suppers that will be held prior to the Advent services on December 6, 13 and 20. Everyone is welcome to enjoy good food and fellowship. If you are able to contribute to one of the meals, please sign up. Each group is responsible for planning, serving, clean-up and providing the meal for that week.

CONGREGATIONAL CHRISTMAS BRUNCH – The Kitchen Committee is planning a congregational Christmas Brunch after the Sunday worship service on 12-17. Please mark your calendar. A sign-up sheet is on the bulletin board if you would like to donate a dish.

THIS WEEK AT CHRIST THE KING

SUNDAY (11/26)	Divine Service, 9:00 a.m. Fellowship, 10:05 a.m. Education Hour, 10:30 a.m.
WEDNESDAY (11/29)	Emerald Bay Service, 4:00 p.m.
SUNDAY (12/3)	Divine Service w/Comm., 9:00 a.m. Fellowship, 10:05 a.m. Education Hour, 10:30 a.m.

OUR MISSION

Christ the King Ev. Lutheran Church gives all praise and thanks to the Triune God for His grace received through Word and Sacrament by sharing the saving Gospel of Christ with the people of this community and the world.