

Christ the King
Last Sunday after Pentecost

November 25, 2018

9:00 AM

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in omnibus glorificetur Deus

that in all things God may be glorified

Romans 15:5-6

1 Peter 4:7-11

Giving Thanks to God Through Worship!

Welcome! We hope that your time in worship will encourage and strengthen your relationship with God. We share the greatest hope through the One who loves you most – Jesus Christ! We invite all worshipers today to fill out the Fellowship Pew Pad during the offering portion of worship. You are also invited to make a prayer request on the green card, which is in the pew rack and then place the card in the offering plate or hand them to an usher. We pray God’s blessings upon you and invite you to worship with us every Saturday at 5:00 pm and Sunday morning at 9:00 am.

Christ the King Sunday celebrates the all-embracing authority of Christ as King and Lord of all things. Many churches recognize this Feast on the last Sunday after Pentecost, the Sunday before Advent.

AS WE GATHER WE PRAY

Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

The paraments are white, the symbolic color of purity, holiness, glory, and joy.

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE (November 25 – December 1)

Jude 21: *Keep yourselves in God’s love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life. (NIV)*

PRE-SERVICE MUSIC

WELCOME

✝ DIVINE SERVICE ✝

Setting One



HYMN "*Lift High the Cross*" – LSB 837 (*Pease rise for verse 6*)

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

The sign of the cross ✝ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.** *[Matt.28:19b]*

Pastor: If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

People: **But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.** *[1 John 1:8-9]*

Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.

Pastor: Let us confess our sins to God our Father.

People: **Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.**

Pastor: Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✝ Son and of the Holy Spirit. *[John 20:19-23]*

People: **Amen.**

HYMN OF PRAISE *“Beautiful Savior” (Verses 1 & 4) – LSB 537*

**Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love Thee, Truly I'd serve Thee,
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown.**

**Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, Praise, adoration
Now and forever-more be Thine!**

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Pastor: Lord Jesus Christ, so govern our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that, ever mindful of Your glorious return, we may persevere in both faith and holiness of living; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

People: **Amen.**

Please be seated

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE



CHOIR ANTHEM *“Come as King!” – by Dana Mengel*

*Come, O come, holy One, come, descend on wings of love.
Come and set all Your captive people free.
Come as warmth, come as light breaking through the clouds of night.
Come as truth, come as life, come as King!
Come with grace, come in peace, come to save and to redeem.
Come in power, come in splendor, come in glory, come as King!
Come in glory, come as King! Come in splendor, come in glory, come as King!
As a child, as a lamb, come to bless our land. Come with healing in Your mighty wing.
Come as brother and friend. Come, the poorest to defend. Come as Savior and Lord,
Come as King! Come with grace, come in peace, come to save and to redeem.
Come in power, come in splendor, come in glory, come as King!*



+ THE WORD OF GOD +

OLD TESTAMENT: DANIEL 7:9-10, 13-14

“As I looked, thrones were set in place, and the Ancient of Days took his seat. His clothing was as white as snow; the hair of his head was white like wool. His throne was flaming with fire, and its wheels were all ablaze. A river of fire was flowing, coming out from before him. Thousands upon thousands attended him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him. The court was seated, and the books were opened.

“In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed.” *(NIV)*

Pastor: O Lord, have mercy on us.

People: Thanks be to God. *(Responses are spoken)*

NEW TESTAMENT: REVELATION 1:4b-8

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father – to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

“Look, he is coming with the clouds,” and “every eye will see him, even those who pierced him”; and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.”

So shall it be! Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “who is, and who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.” *(NIV)*

Pastor: O Lord, have mercy on us.

People: Thanks be to God.

Please rise

ALLELUIA (*Sung – LSB page 156*)

**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, alleluia.**
[John 6:68]

THE HOLY GOSPEL: JOHN 18:33-37

Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 18th chapter.

Pilate entered the Praetorium again, called Jesus, and said to Him, “Are You the King of the Jews?”

Jesus answered him, “Are you speaking for yourself about this, or did others tell you this concerning Me?”

Pilate answered, “Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered You to me. What have You done?”

Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not of this world. If My kingdom were of this world, My servants would fight, so that I should not be delivered to the Jews; but now My kingdom is not from here.”

Pilate therefore said to Him, “Are You a king then?”

Jesus answered, “You say *rightly* that I am a king. For this cause I was born, and for this cause I have come into the world, that I should bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth hears My voice.” *(NKJV)*

Pastor: O Lord, have mercy on us..

People: Thanks be to God.

APOSTLES' CREED

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 Spirit, born of the virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried. He descended into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be seated

HYMN *“Crown Him with Many Crowns”* – LSB 525

THE SERMON

Jude 21: *“Keep yourselves in God’s love as you wait for the mercy of our Lord Jesus Christ to bring you to eternal life.” (NIV)*

After the sermon please rise and sing:

GOD’S PEOPLE RESPOND

“O Worship the King” (Verse 1) – LSB 804

**“O worship the King, all glorious above.
O gratefully sing His pow’r and His love;
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

O God, hear the prayers and petitions of Your people. We do not make requests of You because we are righteous, but because of Your great mercy (Daniel 9:18).

Please be seated

SHARING GOD’S BLESSINGS: THE OFFERING

*We urge you to live lives worthy of God, who calls you into His kingdom and glory.
1 Thessalonians 2:12*

Because we value your presence in worship and desire to serve you as best as we can, please use this time to complete the Fellowship Pew Pad and pass it to your neighbor. Prayer requests may be made by filling out the green card in the pew rack in front of you and placing it in the offering plate.

MUSICAL OFFERING



PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

Pastor: We pray together:

People: Heavenly Father, God of all grace, govern our hearts that we may never forget Your blessings but steadfastly thank and praise You for all Your goodness in this life. Through Your goodness You have blessed us with these tithes and offerings. We offer them and ourselves to Your service and humbly ask that You receive all we bring forward, in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Pastor: Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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.

BENEDICAMUS and BENEDICTION

Pastor: Let us bless the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God!

Pastor: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✝ give you peace. *[Numbers 6:24-26]*

People: Amen.

CLOSING SONG *"Days of Elijah"* (Please see insert)



POSTLUDE

The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life, and he who wins souls is wise. – Proverbs 11:30