

Christ the King Sunday

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WELCOME

PRELUDE

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O Worship the King

Dan Forrest

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. 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. 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.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ✚ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal!

ELW 805

- 1 Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come; henceforth in fields of conquest your tents will be our home. Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong; and now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.
- 2 Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease, and holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace; for not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums, but deeds of love and mercy the heav'nly kingdom comes.
- 3 Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears, for gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears. Your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light; the crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!

(Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862-1917; Music: Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879)

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

The assembly is seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

WORD

FIRST READING

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him. To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Read responsively; congregation reads bold verses

Psalm 93

The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength.

The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

**Ever since the world began, your throne has been established;
you are from everlasting.**

The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice;
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

**Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea,
mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.**

Your testimonies are very sure,
and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

SECOND READING

Revelation 1:4b-8

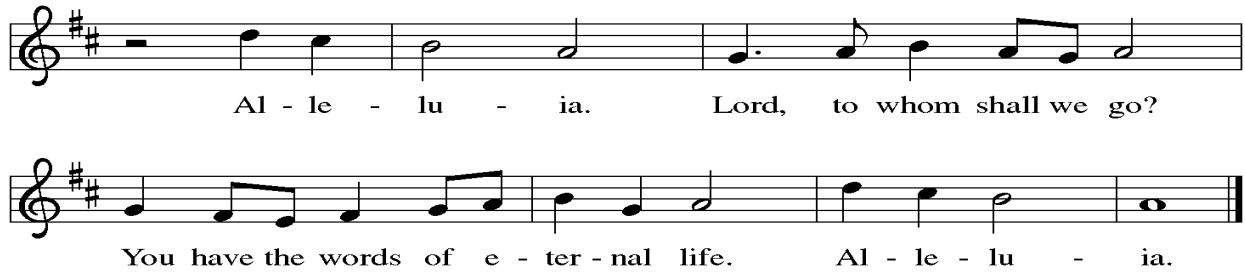
Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to 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.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL

John 18:33-37

The Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

SERMON

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us

ELW 431 (vv. 1, 4)

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| 1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our king? What royal face have you revealed whose praise the church would sing? Aspiring not to glory's height, to power, wealth, and fame, you walked a different, lowly way, another's will your aim. | 4 You chose a humble human form and shunned the world's renown; you died for us upon a cross with thorns your only crown. But still, beyond the span of years, our glad hosannas ring, for now at God's right hand you reign, a different kind of king! |
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(Text: Delores Dufner, OSB; Music: Henry S. Cutler, 1824-1902; Text: © 2001, 2003 GIA Publications, Inc.)

NICENE CREED

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures;

he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

After each petition God, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer

PEACE The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

We offer each other a sign of God's peace. Afterwards, the assembly is seated.

MEAL

OFFERTORY MUSIC *The Light of Glory* *Adult Choir*

(Text: Joseph M. Martin; Music: Joseph M. Martin, David Angerman; Text and music © 2012 Hal Leonard Corporation)

*An offering is gathered for the mission and ministry of God's Church.
Please stand as you are able.*

OFFERING HYMN *Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow* **ELW 885**

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below;
praise God above, ye heav'nly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

(Text: Thomas Ken, 1637-1711, alt.)

OFFERING PRAYER

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. The first staff contains the melody for the words 'The Lord be with you. And al - so with you.' The second staff contains the melody for the words 'Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.' The notes are simple, using quarter and eighth notes with stems, and are accompanied by a simple bass line.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
 Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
 in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father: Endless is your mercy and eternal your reign. You have filled all creation with light and life; heaven and earth are full of your glory.

We praise you for the grace shown to your people in every age: the promise to Israel, the rescue from Egypt, the gift of the promised land, the words of the prophets; and, at this end of all the ages, the gift of your Son, who proclaimed the good news in word and deed and was obedient to your will, even to giving his life.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he come.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

Join our prayers with those of your servants of every time and every place, and unite them with the ceaseless petitions of our great high priest until he comes as victorious Lord of all. Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honor in yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

Let us pray together.

**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.**

FRACTURE

The breaking of the bread.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Christ has set the table with more than enough for all. Come!

COMMUNION

The body and Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

Amen.

The assembly is seated.

COMMUNION HYMN

Beautiful Savior

ELW 838

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| 1 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 | 2 Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is
fairer, Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing
spirit sing. |
| 3 Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus
shines brighter, Jesus shines purer than all
the angels in the sky. | 4 Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of
God and Son of Man! Glory and honor,
praise, adoration, now and forevermore be
thine! |

(Text: Gesangbuch, Munster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904; Music: Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.)

Please stand as you are able.

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

God of abundance, with this bread of life and cup of salvation you have united us with Christ, making us one with all your people. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue forever in the risen life of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

SENDING

The assembly is seated.

SENDING HYMN

Soon and Very Soon

ELW 439

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| 1 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King! | 2 No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King, no more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King, no more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King! |
| 3 No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King, no more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King, no more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King! | 4 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King, soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King. Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King! |

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BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace. **Amen.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. You are the body of Christ.

Thanks be to God.

November Worship Schedule – 10 am - In-person & live streamed worship

- **The Congregational Meeting will follow immediately after worship today. We will be voting on the 2022 Budget and new Council members. Please plan to attend. We need your vote!**
- **We are excited to announce the return of the Thanksgiving Eve Ecumenical Service with St. Ursula Catholic Church and Hiss UMC on Wednesday, November 24th at 7 pm at St. Ursula Catholic Church. Please join us!**
- **The church office will be closed on Thursday, November 25th and Friday, November 26th in observance of Thanksgiving.**



The beautiful flowers gracing our worship service today are given by the Porter family in honor of the wedding anniversary of Clinton and Gladys Porter.

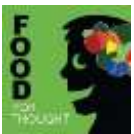
We are taking flower dedications for 2022. The dates available are: January 2nd, February 6th and 27th, March 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th, April 3rd, 10th and 17th, May 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th. Contact Rachel Hills at rm_hills@yahoo.com if you would like to sponsor the flowers.

Please join us for our Restaurant Night at Ledo Pizza & Pasta located at 5350 Campbell Blvd., on Monday, November 22nd from 5 – 9 pm. Flyers may be found on the counter outside of the Sanctuary, in the weekly emails and on our website.



We are taking orders for Christmas plants. Flyers are located on the counter outside of Sanctuary, in the weekly emails and on our website. Please have your orders in by Sunday, November 28th.

The Busy Bees invite you to participate in their Jelly and Jam Sale. They are offering the same delicious flavors as in the past along with bread & butter pickles and apple butter. Order forms are on the third floor counter, in the weekly emails, and on the website. You may also contact the church office to place your order.



Social Ministry is participating in the “Food For Thought Program”. With your help, we are providing weekend take home food bags for children in need. This program would not be possible without the help of our congregation and community. **Our greatest need at this time is chicken & tuna salad kits, pudding cups, applesauce and Chef-Boyardee single serving meals.**

Don't forget to support Victor's Vittles, the food pantry at Christus Victor Lutheran Church. You can drop off your donations to St. John's. Items needed are cereal, spaghetti, spaghetti sauce, instant mashed potatoes, can potatoes, hamburger and tuna helper and taco kits.



This week's schedule

Today	9 am	Handbell Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
	10 am	Live & Online Worship
	11:15 am	Congregational Meeting
Mon.	5 - 9 pm	Ledo's Restaurant Night
Tues.		
Wed.	9 am	Busy Bees (Smith Building)
	6:45 pm	Handchimes Rehearsal (Music Room)
	7:45 pm	Adult Choir Rehearsal (Music Room)
Thurs.		Thanksgiving Day (office closed)
Fri.		(office closed)
Sat.		

Those Serving Today	10 am
Assisting Minister	Claire Miller
Crucifer	Noah Shull
Acolyte (s)	Sophia & Olivia Shull
Lector	Rachel Hills
Communion Assistant	Rachel Hills



Prayer List

Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.

For health & healing: Julie Hastings, Kelly Sanford, Bett Murphy, Laurie Krieger, Mike McDonough, Dave Kocan, Debbie Miller, Pat Denk, Sandy Scott, John McLaughlin, Tony Jasinski, Patty Schwab and Vickie Jasinski

For family & friends: Mary January, Roy Kline, Michael Albrecht, Rose Alexander, Cynthia Shepler, Rita Brady, Anna Meyers, Norma Weber, Lou Ermer, Helen Marcomin, Rosemay Balmos, Roberta Wiessner, Helen & Don Bender and Doug Adams

For the military and their families: Leroy Keller, Seaman E-3 Carson Anthony Bowser, Lance Corporal Justin Ferro, Sgt. Stephen Peck, Staff Sgt. Brandan Hartmann, Michael Anthony Tucker, Chaplain A. J. Striffler and all those in harm's way

For those grieving family & friends of: Marcie Rother, Zita Dabars,

For St. John's Caring Friends: Trudy Anderson, Helen Baker, Agatha Biensach-Daniels, Gladys Downs, Margaret Eubert, June Franz, Betty Glassband, Audrey Lentz, John Lotterer, Patrick O'Connell, Arthur Pulket, Mary Ann Reek, Janet Roth, Patricia Sollanek, Cass Tracey, Emma Volz, Doris Warfield, and Clara Westphal

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