



**Last Sunday of the Church Year  
Christ the King  
November 24, 2024**



**OUR REDEEMER**  
LUTHERAN CHURCH

**Sunday Worship**

**9:30AM**

**Christian Education**

**11AM**

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***Wisconsin Synod***

**WELCOME** to Our Redeemer and our hour of worship

We have reached the Last Sunday of the Church calendar. Our attention is directed to the One who will return, he is Christ, our King.

*Look, I am coming soon and my reward is with me, to repay each one according to what he has done. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Revelation 22*

**For parents with Small Children**

There is a children's bulletin available in the basket together with the service folders as you enter. Please pick one up. If necessary, rest rooms and a video monitor for watching the service are in the fellowship hall. Go to your left as you walk out of the worship area, through the double doors.

**+ + The Common Service + +**

**Opening Hymn – *Oh, Worship the King***

**CW243**

**1 Oh, worship the King, all-glorious above;  
Oh gratefully sing his pow'r and his love,  
Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days,  
Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.**

**2 Oh, tell of his might; oh, sing of his grace,  
Whose robe is the light, whose canopy, space.  
His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form,  
And dark is his path on the wings of the storm.**

**3 This earth, with its store of wonders untold,  
Almighty, your pow'r has founded of old,  
Established it fast by a changeless decree,  
And round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.**

**4 Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,  
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,  
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.**

*Please stand*

**5 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail,  
In you do we trust nor find you to fail.  
Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end,  
Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend!**

## We approach our God

- P In the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.

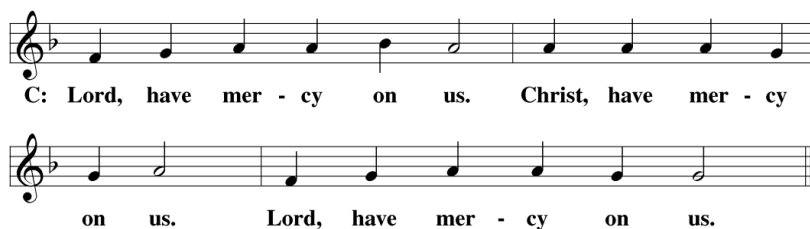


### + + + Confession of Sins + + +

- P Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

- C Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this, I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

### Lord, have mercy – *Kyrie*



*A moment of silence for personal reflection.*

## Absolution

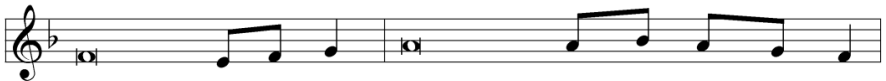
P God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son + and of the Holy Spirit.



+ + + **Prayer and Praise** + + +

P In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

## Glory Be to God - *Gloria in Excelsis*



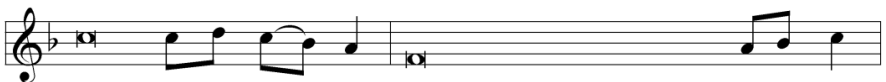
C: Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor-ship you, we glorify you,



we give thanks to you, for your 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, you take away the  
 sin of the world; have mercy on us. You take away the  
 sin of the world; re - ceive our prayer. You sit at the right hand of  
 God the Father; have mercy on us. For you on - ly are holy;  
 you on - ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the Ho - ly Spirit,  
 are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## The Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

P Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



*Please be seated.*

## **Our God speaks to us from his Word**

### **First Lesson – Daniel 7:13-14**

*Daniel describes the world powers that would come and terrify and devour and rule. Their power has an end. Christ, who is the “son of man,” comes to rule eternally.*

I kept watching the night visions, and there, in the clouds of heaven, I saw one like a son of man coming. He came to the Ancient of Days, and he was brought before him. To him was given dominion, honor, and a kingdom. All peoples, nations, and languages will worship him. His dominion is an eternal dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will not be destroyed.

P The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm of the Day, Psalm 45**

*A song of praise of the king on his wedding day picturing Christ and his bride, the Church.*

*Refrain*



Great are the works of the Lord. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-



lu - ia! Great are the works of the Lord.

*Psalm tone*



*Refrain*

**My heart is stirred by a noble theme  
as I recite my verses for the King.**

**You are the most excellent of men,  
and your lips have been anointed with grace.**

**Gird your sword upon your side, O Mighty One;  
clothe yourself with splendor and majesty.**

**In your majesty ride forth victoriously;  
let your right-hand display awesome deeds.**

*Refrain*

**Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever;  
a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom.**

**You love righteousness and hate wickedness;  
therefore God has anointed you with the oil of joy.**



**I will perpetuate your memory through all generations;  
therefore the nations will praise you for ever and ever.**

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

***Refrain***

## **Second Lesson – Revelation 1:4b-8**

*Jesus, the ruler of the kings of the earth, descends in glory on the clouds. He is the one who is, who was, and who is to come. His kingdom is eternal and cannot be defeated.*

Grace to you and peace from him who is, who was, and who is coming, and from the seven spirits that are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, 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 own blood and made us a kingdom and priests to God his Father—to him be the glory and the power forever. Amen.

Look, he is coming with clouds,  
and every eye will see him,  
including those who pierced him.

And all the nations of the earth will mourn because of him.

Yes. Amen.

“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, the one who is, and who was, and who is coming, the Almighty.

P The Word of the Lord.

**C Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as we prepare for the reading of the Gospel.*

### **Gospel Acclamation - from Revelation 11**

P Alleluia. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Messiah,

**C and he will reign for ever and ever. Alleluia.**



C: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

### **Gospel – John 18:33-37**

*Jesus stands before Pilate and confirms that he is a king. However, his kingdom is not of this world, it is unique. His kingdom has one operating principle, truth.*



C: Glo - ry be to you, O Lord!

Pilate went back into the Praetorium and summoned Jesus. He asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

Jesus answered, "Are you saying this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"

Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?"

Jesus replied, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight so that I would not be handed over to the Jews. But now my kingdom is not from here."

"You are a king then?" Pilate asked.

Jesus answered, "I am, as you say, a king. For this reason I was born, and for this reason I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.

P This is the Gospel of the Lord.



*Please be seated.*

## **Children's Message**

**Hymn – *The Day Is Surely Drawing Near***

**CW207**

**The day is surely drawing near  
When God's Son, the Anointed,  
Shall with great majesty appear**

**As judge of all appointed.  
All mirth and laughter then shall cease  
When flames on flames will still increase,  
As Scripture truly teaches.**

**A trumpet loud shall then resound  
And all the earth be shake  
Then all who in their graves are found  
Shall from their sleep awaken  
And with the living in that hour  
By the Almighty's boundless pow'r  
Be changed at his commanding.**

**A book is opened then to all,  
A record truly telling  
What each has done, both great and small,  
When he on earth was dwelling,  
And ev'ry heart be clearly seen,  
And all be known as they have been  
In thoughts and words and actions.**

**Then woe to those who scorned the Lord  
And sought but carnal pleasures,  
Who here despised his precious Word  
And loved their earthly treasures!  
With shame and trembling they will stand  
And at the judge's stern command  
To Satan be delivered.**

**My Savior paid the debt I owe  
And for my sin was smitten;**

**Within the Book of Life I know  
My name has now been written.  
I will not doubt, for I am free,  
And Satan cannot threaten me;  
There is no condemnation!**

**O Jesus Christ, do not delay,  
But hasten our salvation;  
We often tremble on our way  
In fear and tribulation.  
Your saints are waiting patiently;  
Come soon, Redeemer; make us free  
From ev'ry evil. Amen.**

### **Sermon - Daniel 7:13-14**

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*After the sermon, please stand.*

## We offer our God our Joyful Responses

C: 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 your pres - ence, and take not your Ho - ly Spir - it  
from me. Re - store un - to me the joy of your sal - va -  
tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it. A - men.

### Our Confession of Faith – The Second Article of the Apostles’ Creed and Luther’s Explanation

**I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty.**

**From there he will come to judge the living and  
the dead.**

**What does this mean?**

**I believe that Jesus Christ, true God,  
begotten of the Father from eternity,  
and also true man, born of the Virgin Mary,  
is my Lord,  
who has redeemed me, a lost and condemned  
creature, purchased and won me from all sins,  
from death, and from the power of the devil,  
not with gold or silver, but with His holy, precious  
blood and with His innocent suffering and death.  
All this he did that I should be his own, and live under  
him in his kingdom, and serve him in everlasting  
righteousness, innocence, and blessedness,  
just as he is risen from death and lives and rules  
eternally.**

**This is most certainly true.**

*Please be seated.*



**1 At the name of Jesus Ev'ry knee shall bow,  
Ev'ry tongue confess him King of glory now;  
'Tis the Father's pleasure We should call him Lord,  
Who from the beginning Was the mighty Word.**

**2 At his voice creation Sprang at once to sight,  
All the angel faces, All the hosts of light,  
Cherubim in heaven, Stars upon their way,  
All the heav'nly orders In their great array.**

**3 Humbled for a season To receive a name  
From the lips of sinners Unto whom he came,  
Faithfully he bore it Spotless to the last,  
Brought it back victorious When from death he  
passed;**

**4 Bore it up triumphant With its human light,  
Through all ranks of creatures To the central height,  
To the throne of Godhead, To the Father's breast,  
Filled it with the glory Of that perfect rest.**

**5 In your hearts enthrone him; There let him subdue  
All that is not holy, All that is not true.  
Crown him as your captain In temptation's hour;  
Let his will enfold you In its light and pow'r.**

**6 Christians, this Lord Jesus Shall return again  
In his Father's glory, With his angel train;  
For all wreaths of empire Meet upon his brow,  
And our hearts confess him King of glory now.**

*Please stand.*

## **Prayer of the Church**

P O Almighty God, merciful Father, in this present life of sin and suffering your Holy Church longs for the return of Christ.

**C Give us grace to make a good confession and strength to stand firm in the faith, ever watchful for his coming in power and glory.**

P Most merciful God and Father, give grace to your Holy Church throughout the world,

**C that she may serve you with reverence and awe and endure faithful to the end.**

P O King of glory, Lord of hosts, in humility your only-begotten Son stood before governors and kings and was accused unjustly for our sake.

**C Defend the cause of the weak and those who have no voice in our society, particularly the unborn, the poor and the homeless.**

P Give the government of our nation the fortitude to serve its citizens

**C and strive for fairness and justice according to your will.**

P O God, with all creation we look in eager expectation toward our final redemption at the revelation of your Son.

**C Until that day, sustain those who live under the cross.**

P Give them patience and hope, and grant healing and aid to the sick.

**C Draw near to the dying and hold them in the arms of your love, defending them against the final assaults of the evil one.**

P O Lord, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember the sufferings and death of your dear Son, Jesus Christ, for our salvation.

**C Gather your Church together from the ends of the earth to celebrate with all the faithful the marriage feast of the Lamb in his kingdom, which has no end.**

P Graciously receive our prayers, deliver and preserve us, for to you alone we give all glory, honor and worship, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, one God, who has invited us to pray ...

## **Lord's Prayer**

**Our Father in heaven,**

**Hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.**

**Give us today our daily bread.**

**Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

**For the kingdom, the power and the glory are your now and forever. Amen!**

**Our God sends us with his blessing**

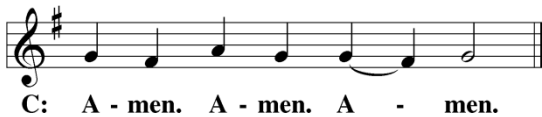
## Closing Prayer

- P Blessed Lord, you have given us your Holy Scriptures for our learning. May we so hear them, read, learn, and take them to heart, 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.



## The Benediction

- P 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.



*Please be seated.*

**Closing Hymn – *Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing***

**CW329**

**1 Lord, dismiss us with your blessing;  
Fill our hearts with joy and peace.  
Let us each, your love possessing,  
Triumph in redeeming grace.  
Oh, refresh us, oh, refresh us,  
Trav'ling through this wilderness.**

**2 Thanks we give and adoration  
For the gospel's joyful sound;  
May the fruits of your salvation  
In our hearts and lives abound!  
Ever faithful, ever faithful  
To your truth may we be found.**

**3 So whene'er the signal's given  
Us from earth to call away,  
Borne on angels' wings to heaven,  
Glad the summons to obey,  
May we ever, may we ever  
Reign with Christ in endless day.**

Our thanks to Al Todd, Jim Everson and Josh Schueler for their work to make our worship service and streaming run smoothly.

## **Announcements and Acknowledgements –**

**Today - Sunday, November 24<sup>th</sup>** – Worship and streaming- 9:30am  
Education time – 11am  
Pre-Thanksgiving pot-luck Fellowship – 5:30pm

**Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>** – Thanksgiving Day Worship – 9:30am

**Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup> – First Sunday in Advent**  
Worship with Holy Communion and streaming - 9:30am  
Education time – 11am

**Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**, Church Council, 7pm

**Sunday, December 8<sup>th</sup> – Second Sunday in Advent**  
Worship and streaming- 9:30am  
Education time – 11am

**Sunday, December 15<sup>th</sup> – Third Sunday in Advent**  
Worship and streaming- 9:30am  
Education time – 11am  
Decorating, Chili and Caroling, 2:30pm

**Sunday, December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Fourth Sunday in Advent**  
Worship with Holy Communion and streaming- 9:30am  
Education time – 11am

**Tuesday, December 24<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Eve Worship 7pm

**Wednesday, December 25<sup>th</sup>** – Christmas Day worship 9:30am

**Sunday, December 29<sup>th</sup> – First Sunday after Christmas**  
Worship and streaming- 9:30am  
Education time – 11am

**As a Christian and Scripture-centered congregation, we invite you to believe and confess with us . . .**

- ✘ That there is one God, and he has revealed himself as the Triune God - Father, Son and Holy Spirit;
- ✘ That God has made himself known to us and all men through the Bible - his true, inspired and error-free Word;
- ✘ That all people, because of the disobedience of the first man and woman, are conceived and born in sin, and that because of sin, all people deserve eternal death;
- ✘ That God sent his one and only Son, Jesus Christ, to be born of a virgin, to live, die and rise again to take away the eternal condemnation of sin;
- ✘ That God's grace through Jesus is given to us through faith worked by the Holy Spirit and the Means of Grace - the Gospel in God's Word and the Sacraments;
- ✘ That faith, strengthened by Word and Sacrament, is the living force within us which produces good works which are pleasing to God;
- ✘ That on the Last Day Christ will come again in all his glory to take us and all believers to live with himself in heaven for all eternity;





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