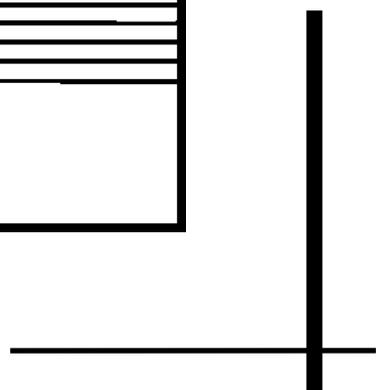


Sunday
November 21, 2021

St. Timothy Lutheran Church

Sharing God's Love Together



If you are a visitor with us today, we welcome you in the name of Christ. We encourage our guests to join us in the communion meal because Jesus welcomes all to his table of grace, uniting and filling us for love and service. Christ is our host and our food, bearing to us God's forgiveness and grace through this harvest of field and vineyard.

CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 21, 2021

INTRODUCTION

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

PRELUDE

WELCOME

You may stand.

GATHERING SONG

Majesty

Musical notation for the first line of the song. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords are indicated above the staff: G, Am7 G/B, C, G6/B, Am7, C/D, D. A triplet of eighth notes is marked over the notes G, A, B in the second measure. The lyrics are: Maj - es - ty, wor - ship his maj - es - ty: un - to

Musical notation for the second line of the song. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords are indicated above the staff: G, D/F#, Em7, A7, D7sus, D7. A triplet of eighth notes is marked over the notes A, B, C in the fourth measure. The lyrics are: Je - sus be all glo - ry, hon - or, and praise.

Musical notation for the third line of the song. The key signature is one sharp (F#) and the time signature is 4/4. The melody is written on a treble clef staff. Chords are indicated above the staff: G, Am7 G/B, C, G6/B, Am7, Cm/Eb. A triplet of eighth notes is marked over the notes G, A, B in the second measure. The lyrics are: Maj - es - ty, king - dom au - thor - i - ty flows from his

G/D Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷ G C/G G

throne un - to his own; his an - them raise.

Bm⁷ Bbdim⁷ Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷ G

So ex - alt, lift up on high the name of Je - sus.

G Bm⁷ Bbdim⁷ Am⁷ D⁷ C/D D⁷/C B

Mag - ni - fy, come glo - ri - fy Christ Je - sus, the king.

Am⁷ D G Am⁷ G/B C G⁶/B

Maj - es - ty, wor - ship his maj - es - ty:

Am⁷ Cm/Eb G/D Am⁷

Je - sus who died, now glo - ri - fied,

D⁷ C/D D⁷ To repeat
G C/G G Last time
Em Am⁷ Cm/Eb

King of all kings. kings. Je - sus who

died, now glo - ri - fied, King of all kings.

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.

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and
 peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

1 Lord God, heav-en - ly King, al - might-y God and Fa-ther,
 we wor-ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you

Refrain
 for your glo - ry. Glo - ry to God in the high-
 est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo-ple on earth.

2 Lord Je - sus Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God,

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the

world: have mer - cy on us; you are seat - ed at the

right hand of the Fa - ther: re - ceive our prayer.

Refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and

peace to God's peo - ple on earth. 3 For you a -

lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,

you a - lone are the Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the

Ho - ly Spir - it, in the glo - ry of God the Fa - ther.

A - men. A - men. A - men.

Final refrain

Glo - ry to God in the high - est, the high - est, and peace to God's

peo - ple on earth. Glo - ry to God in the high -

est, the high - est, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. 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.

You may be seated.

WORD

God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.

READING

Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

To the community for whom this passage was written, it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: It shall end. The Ancient One, who is judge, will call all nations to account and will give dominion to "one like a human being," the Messiah.

The reading may be announced:

A reading from Daniel.

⁹As 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.

¹⁰A 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.

¹³As 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.

¹⁴To 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 reading may be concluded:

Word of God, word of life.

The assembly responds:

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S WORD

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

The assembly stands to welcome the gospel.

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the
words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

GOSPEL

John 18:33-37

In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.

The gospel is announced.

The holy gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate 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?" ³⁶Jesus 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.”³⁷ 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 concludes:

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Clark Brown

You may stand.

HYMN OF THE DAY

Blessing, Honor, and Glory

ELW 433

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 INTERCESSION

You may stand, kneel, or sit for the prayers.

Each petition concludes with: God, in your mercy.

*All may respond: **Hear our prayer.***

PEACE

The presiding minister and the assembly greet each other in the peace of the risen Christ.

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace, and may say, "Peace be with you," or similar words.

You may be seated.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

MEAL

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

GATHERING OF THE GIFTS

Let us remember to offer ourselves—our time, our abilities, our possessions—for the ongoing ministry of St. Timothy and the whole Church. Besides bringing your offering to worship you may also send it by postal mail or use our online giving option at www.sttim.org.

OFFERING PRAYER

Holy God,
the earth is yours and everything in it,
yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures.
Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine,
and strengthen us to be your body for the world
through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The presiding minister greets the assembly and invites all present to give thanks.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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

You are indeed holy, O God... ... we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.
Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.
 Therefore, O God... ... to share with us the great and promised feast.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.
 Send now... ... and may receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.
Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.
 Join our prayers... ... now and forever.
Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**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.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever. Amen**

or **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**

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

A feast of love is offered here for you and for all the saints.

Thanks be to God.

COMMUNION

You may be seated. We receive the body and blood of Christ and share in the life of God as we receive the bread and wine or grape juice, and hear the words:

The body of Christ, given for you.

The blood of Christ, shed for you.

and each person may respond

Amen.

COMMUNION SONG

Come to the Table

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COMMUNION SONG

The Trumpets Sound, the Angels Sing

ELW 531

You may stand.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Blessed Jesus,
at this table, you have been for us both host and meal.
Now send us forth to extend our tables
and to share your gifts
until that day when all feast together
at your heavenly banquet.

Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

BLESSING

God, the beginning and the end,
who has written your name in the book of life,

✠ bless and keep you in grace and peace
from this time forth and forevermore.

Amen.

SENDING SONG

Soon and Very Soon

ELW 439

DISMISSAL

Led on by the saints before us, go in peace to serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

Worship Leaders

Presiding Minister— Pastor Clark Brown

Musician— Desma Johnson

Drums— Philippe Costa

Cantor— Adrian and Bob Johannsen

Assisting Minister—

Streaming Video— Jon Gerdes

Audio— Jim Helgason

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GOSPEL MESSAGE

November 21, 2021

CHRIST THE KING

What Kind of Kingdom?

Some have interpreted Jesus' statement "My kingdom is not from this world" (John 18:36) to mean that Jesus promises good things only in some distant future, as if we need not worry about justice or poverty in this life. However, in his actions and teachings throughout his life, Jesus clearly cared very much about the here and now of this world.

In the Lord's prayer, we say, "Your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven." We are praying for God's will in this world, the only home and society we know. But what does it look like for God's will to be done on earth?

Jesus disappointed his followers, who expected a revolutionary leader. In generation after generation, revolutions come and go. Those who were on the bottom get to be on the top for a spell. Inevitably, we have the same old concentration of power in high places, insiders versus outsiders, the haves and the have-nots. The names and titles change, but the system does not.

By the typical standards of a political revolution, Jesus' execution meant he was a total failure. But he embodied a different kind of power, testifying to a truth larger and deeper and ultimately stronger than any revolution. In his crucifixion and resurrection, Jesus jammed up the whole system that keeps cycling back around to perpetuate violence, retribution, inequality, and exclusion.

Through Jesus, the kingdom of God breaks in amid the old kingdoms that rise and fall, bringing a new reign of love, forgiveness, and peace. As a beloved community that longs to break free from old cycles of worldly power, we continue to pray for God's kingdom to come, for renewal that is deeper and more lasting than any political movement. And we continue to work for a world where all of God's children and God's creation are treated with respect, justice, and love.

UPCOMING COMMEMORATIONS

Clement, Bishop of Rome, died around 100

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Clement was the third bishop of Rome. He is best remembered for a letter he wrote to the congregation in Corinth, still struggling with the same problems that led to Paul's letters to them. As did Paul, he focused on the need for love among Christians.

Miguel Agustín Pro, martyr, died 1927

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Pro grew up in a time when the Mexican revolutionaries accused the church of siding with the wealthy. He became a Jesuit priest, and worked on behalf of the poor and homeless. Falsely accused of throwing a bomb at a government official, he was executed, but not before crying out "Long live Christ the King!"

Justus Falckner, died 1723; Jehu Jones, died 1852; William Passavant, died 1894; pastors in North America

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

Not only was Falckner the first Lutheran ordained in North America, but he published a catechism which was the first Lutheran book published on the continent. Jones was the Lutheran church's first African American pastor and carried out missionary work in Philadelphia which led to the formation there of the first African American Lutheran congregation (St. Paul's). William Passavant helped to establish hospitals and orphanages in a number of cities and was the first to introduce deaconesses to the work of hospitals in the United States.

Isaac Watts, hymnwriter, died 1748

Thursday, November 25, 2021

Thought by many to be the greatest hymnwriter in the English language, Watts as a youth was critical of the quality of the metrical psalter of the time. He wrote about 600 hymns—many based on the psalms, but others that are not.

PRAYER CONCERNS

Please call Dorothy Kirk with any new or changed prayer concerns at 375-1043.

Please remember in your prayers:

Carolyn Hawes, undergoing diagnosis.

Diane Bakhit who is recovering for neck surgery.

Josh Bakhit who has a brain tumor.

Phyllis Cook who has a lung condition.

Ed Olson, undergoing cancer treatment .

Sandy Hoskin, undergoing cancer treatment again.

Colbie Schueneman, grandniece of Adrian, with a neurodegenerative disease.

Healthcare workers and essential workers on the front line of the pandemic.

All service members, fire fighters, and police officers (and their families).

For those living in war-torn regions and all refugees.

For the mission of this congregation, the Monterey Bay Conference, and the entire Sierra Pacific Synod, and for our leaders and for the leaders throughout the world.

Please continue to pray for the ongoing concerns of these listed here.

Torie Hamilton

Rodger Marty

Bonnie Bennett

Jim McMullins

Bill Reynolds

Mary Lee Slater

Marjonie Gabriel

Tom Brown

Aaron Grieg

Byron Heppert

Jacqueline Graham

Gloria Llenaresas

Riley Ann Holland

Ronnie Lyons

Irene McCloud

Thomas Ansley

Linda Henderson

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NOTES AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, 11/21	Pastor's Forum	11:15 am
Wednesday, 11/24	Bible Study	2:00 pm
Thursday, 11/25	Thanksgiving	

NEXT WEEK

Sunday, 11/28	Worship	10:00 am
Sunday, 11/28	Pastor's Forum	11:15 am

- **Preparing for communion:** Our online Sunday worship will include communion. As you feel called, prepare to share in communion by setting aside some bread or crackers, and some wine or juice, as you have them available. If you need any of these items, please contact Ida Barber.
- **Offering:** Please remember your offerings to St. Timothy. Offering can be mailed to the church office, sent automatically using your bank, or online by visiting our website www.sttim.org.