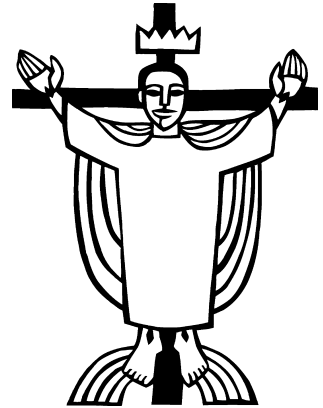


Christ the King Sunday

November 20, 2022

Evangelical Lutheran Worship

Setting 2



Introduction to the Day:

Jeremiah's promise of the execution of "justice and righteousness in the land" finds ironic fulfillment in the execution of Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. It appears utterly contradictory that a king should be crucified with a criminal. This victory appears for all the world as humiliating defeat. Yet through the gate of death Jesus opens the door to paradise.

Prayer Requests

*Congregation participation in **bold print**.*

Please stand as you are able.

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

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.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

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 SONG

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

ELW Hymn 855

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.

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CANTICLE OF PRAISE

“Glory to God”

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray together.

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Please be seated.

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

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Today's reading builds on the common, ancient Near Eastern metaphor of the king as shepherd. Judah's unjust rulers have caused their people, their "flock," to be scattered. Nevertheless, God will raise up a new and righteous shepherd who will rule a restored Judah.

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. ²Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord. ⁵The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 46

¹God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

²**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**

³though its waters rage and foam,
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

⁴**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,
the holy habitation of the Most High.**

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;
God shall help it at the break of day.

⁶**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;
God speaks, and the earth melts away.**

⁷The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

⁸**Come now, regard the works of the LORD,
what desolations God has brought upon the earth;**

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰**"Be still, then, and know that I am God;
I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."**

¹¹The LORD of hosts is with us;
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: Colossians 1:11-20

An early Christian hymn praises the mystery of the political, personal, and mystical Christ, the one who was present at creation and is eternally reigning with God.

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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Please stand as you are able.

GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43

The holy gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.

³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

SERMON

Ann Adams

Please stand as you are able.

HYMN OF THE DAY

"Beautiful Savior"

ELW Hymn 838

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith using the Apostles' Creed:

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

After each petition, the Worship Assistant will say, "Lord, in your mercy", the congregation will respond, "receive our prayer."

United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

Accept these prayers, gracious God, and those known only to you; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.
Amen.

PASSING OF THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please take a few moments to greet those around you as you feel comfortable, keeping in mind that not everyone is comfortable shaking hands or hugging.

MEAL - God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

OFFERING

OFFERING SONG

"Create in Me a Clean Heart"

ELW Hymn 186

Please stand as you are able.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together,

Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

DIALOGUE

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Preface

“Holy, Holy, Holy”

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WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD’S PRAYER

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 today 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

Taste and see that the Lord is good.

Please be seated.

We believe that Christ is truly present in, with, and under the bread and wine. All those who are baptized and have received formal teaching about The Lord’s Supper are invited forward to commune. If you desire a blessing, come forward and keep hands folded together. Come forward at the direction of the usher. Pick up a clean cup from the right side of the altar. The empty cups can be placed in the tray on the left side of the altar.

COMMUNION SONG

“Lamb of God”

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SONGS DURING COMMUNION

“Soon and Very Soon”

ELW Hymn 439

“O Christ the Same”

WOV Hymn 778

Please stand as you are able.

TABLE BLESSING

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

Amen

SONG AFTER COMMUNION

“Now Lord You Let Your Servant Go”

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POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us through the healing power of this gift of life. In your mercy, strengthen us through this gift, in faith toward you and in fervent love toward one another; for the sake of Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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

ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK:

Today: Faith, Fitness and Fellowship
Newsletter Deadline

Next Sunday: 1st Sunday of Advent
LIR Christmas Card deadline

Counters for November: Norm Frank & Lori Murphy

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

SENDING SONG

“On Our Way Rejoicing”

ELW Hymn 537

DISMISSAL

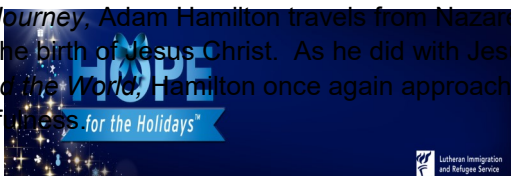
Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.

Thanks be to God!

Christ Lutheran congregants sent greetings to 107 families last holiday season, even in the midst of the COVID-19 crisis. That seems like a worthy goal again. Please share the hope of the holiday season with others far less fortunate than ourselves.

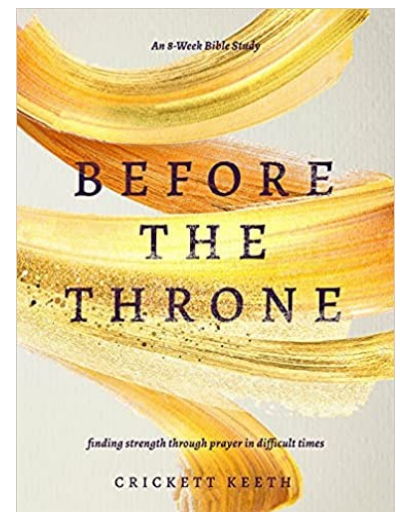
To participate, please write Christmas card greetings in either English or Spanish completing as many cards as you feel comfortable writing. (Suggested greetings in both English and Spanish will be provided in handouts at church.) **To ensure we mail the cards to the LIRS for distribution on time, bring your cards to the church by Sunday, Nov. 27 and drop them in the “LIRS HOPE” box in the narthex.**

In *The Journey*, Adam Hamilton travels from Nazareth to Bethlehem in a fascinating look at the birth of Jesus Christ. As he did with Jesus' crucifixion in *24 Hours that Changed the World*, Hamilton once again approaches a world-changing event with thoughtfulness. *for the Holidays**



Using historical information, archaeological data, and a personal look at some of the stories surrounding the birth, the most amazing moment in history will become more real and heart-felt as you walk along this road.

The Worship and Music Committee has chosen to use the book as our 2022 Advent Service. Beginning on November 30th, please join us for the four **Wednesdays of Advent at noon** to view a short video vignette of Mr. Hamilton retracing the actual Path of Mary and Joseph's journey to Bethlehem, along with the accompanying Chapter. Books are available at the office. Donations of \$13.00 for the book would be appreciated.



Christmas Caroling and CLC Christmas Party

Caroling Opportunities

Friday, December 9th
Blossom Place Retirement Home
5100 W Nob Hill Blvd
11:00-11:30 a.m.

And / Or

Chalet Village Condominiums
56th Ave east of CLC
5:00-5:30 p.m.

Sonya will accompany with guitar
Song Sheets will be available
Bring your voice
Wear a festive sweater

Bring joy to the residents!!

CLC Christmas Party

December 9 at 6:00 p.m.
CLC Fellowship hall

Come join us for a German-style
Christmas celebration!

Dinner Menu

Brats

Hot German Potato Salad

Rotkraut (Red Cabbage)

Dessert

Feel free to bring wine or beer to
celebrate

Festivities

Christmas Games, Caroling, and
fellowship

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Called by God to Worship, Learn, and Nurture: Sent to Serve and Tell

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