

Christ the King Sunday - With One Voice
November 23, 2025 – 8:15 & 10:45 am

Accompanist

Diane Rauser

Liturgists

8:15 - Lois & Rachel/10:45 -

ELW= the red hymn book under your seat. Hymns are located in the back of the book. A black Bible is also located beneath your seat.

† indicates stand as able

Gathering

Prelude

Welcome

† Confession and Forgiveness

We confess our sins before God and one another.

Holy God,

You have created us in your image, protected and nourished us, and called us into your work of justice. Yet while we profess these truths, we forget who we are and whose we are. We put our trust in ourselves, in material goods, and in worldly powers instead of trusting you. We prioritize our comfort over our neighbor's needs. Call us back to you, God. Forgive us our failings, and direct us back onto the path you would have us tread.

Hear the good news, siblings in Christ. You have been created in wholeness, claimed in love, and forgiven according to God's boundless grace. Nothing—even the worst we do or fail to do— can separate us from the love of our God. Receive this

forgiveness with joy, in the name of Jesus, our savior and friend. **Amen.**

† Gathering Hymn: Arise, Your Light Has Come! ELW 314

Arise, your light has come!
The Spirit's call obey;
show forth the glory of your God
which shines on you today.

Arise, your light has come!
Fling wide the prison door;
proclaim the captive's liberty,
good tidings to the poor.

Arise, your light has come!
All you in sorrow born,
bind up the brokenhearted ones
and comfort those who mourn.

Arise, your light has come!
The mountains burst in song!
Rise up like eagles on the wing,
God's pow'r will make us strong.

Liturgy of the Word

† 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.**

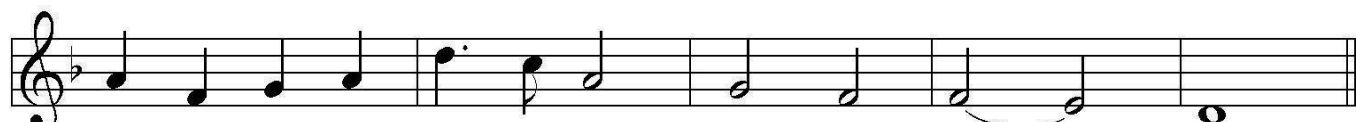
† Kyrie



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **B** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:



A Chri - ste e - le - i - son: **C** Christ, have mer - cy.
Christ, have mer - cy:



A Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son: **C** Lord, have mer - cy.
Lord, have mer - cy:

† Hymn of Praise

Refrain:



C Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;



glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

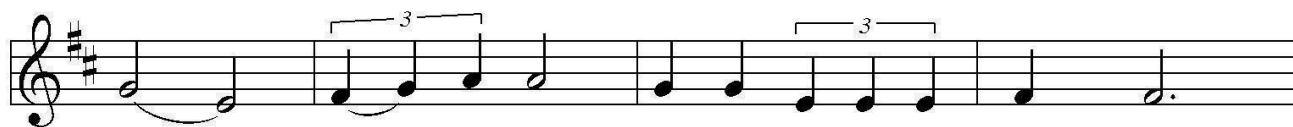


I Lord God, heav - en - ly king, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we

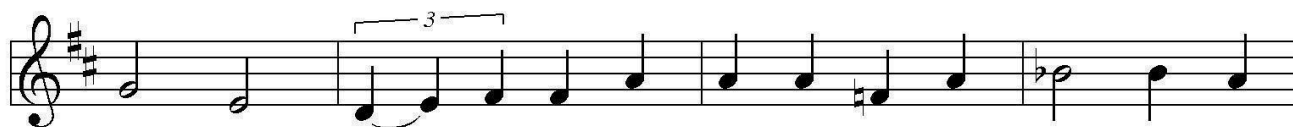


wor - ship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry.

Refrain



II 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



I For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,
II 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.
☐ Glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God in the high - est;
glo - ry to God, glo - ry to God, and peace to God's peo - ple on earth,
and peace to God's peo - ple on earth.

† Prayer of the Day

Consoling God, often we find ourselves dissatisfied with where we are in life, questioning our past and our future, unsure whether this is your plan for us. Grant us patience to

accept the present, wisdom to discern your will, and courage to carry it out. In all things, help us to trust that you are our guide, and will lead us home. In Jesus' name we pray. **Amen.**

Special Music: *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

Bell Choir

READING: **Jeremiah 29: 1, 4-14**

¹These are the words of the letter that the prophet Jeremiah sent from Jerusalem to the remaining elders among the exiles, and to the priests, the prophets, and all the people, whom Nebuchadnezzar had taken into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon. ⁴Thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel, to all the exiles whom I have sent into exile from Jerusalem to Babylon: ⁵Build houses and live in them; plant gardens and eat what they produce. ⁶Take wives and have sons and daughters; take wives for your sons, and give your daughters in marriage, that they may bear sons and daughters; multiply there, and do not decrease. ⁷But seek the welfare of the city where I have sent you into exile, and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare. ⁸For thus says the Lord of hosts, the God of Israel: Do not let the prophets and the diviners who are among you deceive you, and do not listen to the dreams that they dream, ⁹for it is a lie that they are prophesying to you in my name; I did not send them, says the Lord. ¹⁰For thus says the Lord: Only when Babylon's seventy years are completed will I visit you, and I will fulfill to you my promise and bring you back to this place. ¹¹For surely I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for your welfare and not for harm, to give you a future with hope. ¹²Then when you call upon me and come and pray to me, I will hear you. ¹³When you search for me, you will find me; if you seek me with all your heart, ¹⁴I will

let you find me, says the Lord, and I will restore your fortunes and gather you from all the nations and all the places where I have driven you, says the Lord, and I will bring you back to the place from which I sent you into exile.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

† Gospel Acclamation



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

Al - le - lu - ia. You have the words of e - ter - nal life.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

† GOSPEL: John 14: 27

The Holy Gospel according to John the 14th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

²⁷Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled, and do not let them be afraid.

The gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Children's Sermon

Kelly Ahrens

Sermon

Pastor Beth Wartick

† Hymn of the Day: Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855

Crown him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns

all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing
of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king
through all eternity.

Crown him the virgin's Son,
the God incarnate born,
whose arm those crimson trophies won
which now his brow adorn;
fruit of the mystic rose,
yet of that rose the stem,
the root whence mercy ever flows,
the babe of Bethlehem.

Crown him the Lord of love—
behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky
can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes
at mysteries so bright.

Crown him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave
and rose victorious in the strife
for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing,
who died and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of years,

the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail
throughout eternity.

† 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

Confident that our God hears and answers our cries, we pray
for the church, the world, and all in need.

Merciful God, in the darkest of times, your promises remain.
Give us hope when we are tempted to despair, and keep the
reminders of your mercy ever before us. God of promise,

Hear our prayer.

As we gather in the harvest, remind us that you have made all things good for the nourishment of all creatures. Make us careful—and grateful—stewards of this small, blue, celestial island we call home. God of promise, **Hear our prayer.**

We give you thanks for a time to pause in gratitude for all the blessings of our lives. We thank you for family, for food and shelter, for friends and neighbors and our church community. Bless all those who find themselves alone on holidays, whether by choice or otherwise, and make of us one great human family. God of promise, **Hear our prayer.**

There is more suffering in the world than we can sometimes comprehend, and yet you hold us all in the palm of your hand. Pour out your healing spirit on all who cry to you, especially Kim, Chris, Kristy and Marvin. God of promise, **Hear our prayer.**

Like saints before us who waited on the fulfillment of your word, we find our peace in your faithfulness to all generations. Uphold us with your promises still, and assure us of our place among the heavenly throngs who adore you eternally. God of promise, **Hear our prayer.**

We lift all these prayers, and those of our hearts, to your loving care, O God. Receive them and restore our hope in your promises. In Jesus' name. **Amen.**

† Peace

Liturgy of the Meal

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placing it in the offering plates as they are passed, or by scanning the QR to give securely online. Thank you for your faithful stewardship.

Offering Prayer

God, you lavish your lovingkindness upon us day after day. With joy and gratitude we bring before you these, our gifts and our tithes, signs of our love and commitment to you. Accept them for the sake of Jesus Christ, and use them according to your will. **Amen.**

† Great Thanksgiving

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.

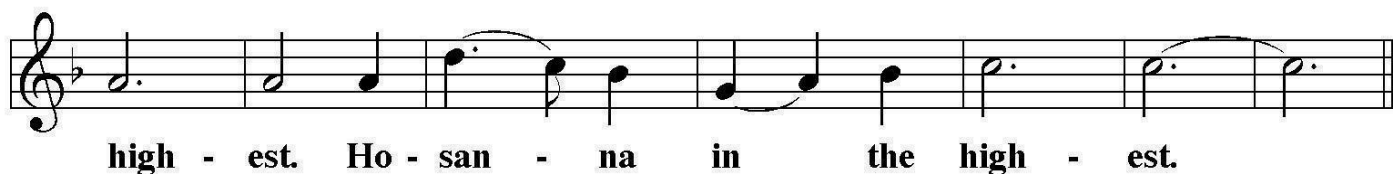
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

† Proper Preface

It is indeed right...join their unending hymn:

† Holy, Holy, Holy

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, heav - en 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



† Eucharistic Prayer

† Lord's Prayer / Padrenuestro

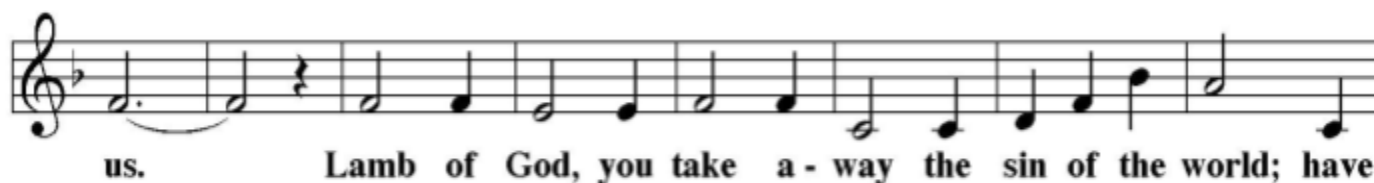
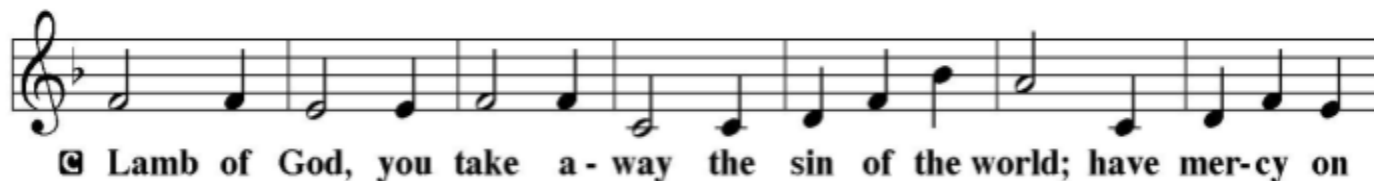
Our Father in heaven,
 hallowed be your name,
 your kingdom come,
 your will be done,
 on earth as in heaven.
 Give us today our daily bread.
 Forgive us our sins
 as we forgive those
 who sin against us.
 Save us from the time of trial
 and deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power,
 and the glory are yours,
 now and forever. Amen.

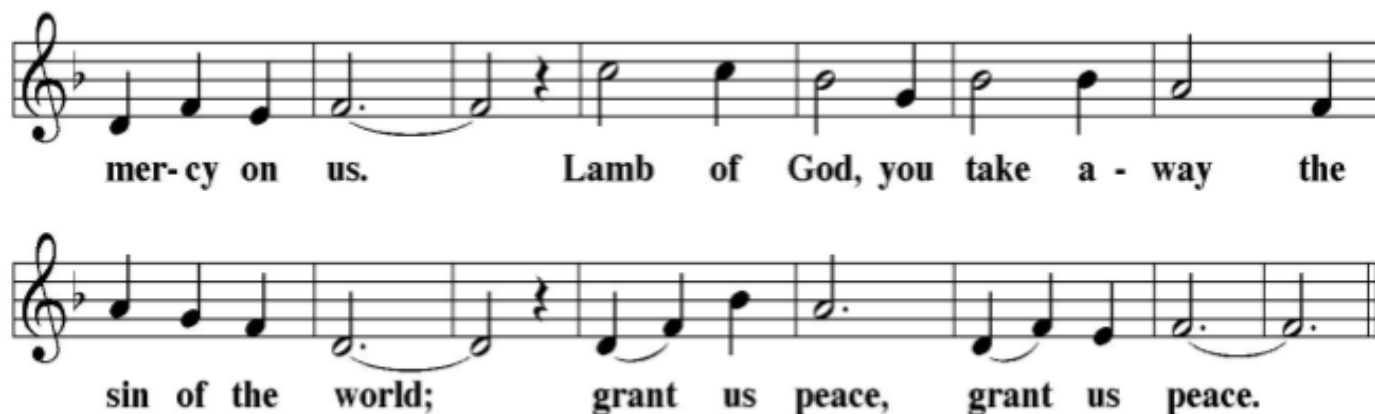
*Padre nuestro que estás en el cielo,
 santificado sea tu nombre.
 Venga tu reino.
 Hágase tu voluntad
 en la tierra como en el cielo.
 Danos hoy nuestro pan de cada día.
 Perdona nuestras ofensas
 como también nosotros
 perdonamos a los que nos ofenden.
 No nos dejes caer en tentación
 y líbranos del mal.
 Porque tuyo es el reino, tuyo es
 el poder y tuya es la gloria,
 ahora y siempre. Amén.*

Communion

If you are communing from home, receive the bread with these words "The Body of Christ given for you" and the wine/juice with "The blood of Christ shed for you."

Communion Song: Lamb of God





Communion Hymn: Spirit of Gentleness

ELW 396

Refrain:

Spirit, Spirit of gentleness,
blow through the wilderness calling and free;
Spirit, Spirit of restlessness,
stir me from placidness, wind, wind on the sea.

You moved on the waters, you called to the deep,
then you coaxed up the mountains from the valleys of sleep;
and over the eons you called to each thing:

"Awake from your slumbers and rise on your wings." *Refrain*

You swept through the desert, you stung with the sand,
and you goaded your people with a law and a land;
and when they were blinded with idols and lies,
then you spoke through your prophets to open their eyes.

Refrain

You sang in a stable, you cried from a hill,
then you whispered in silence when the whole world was still;
and down in the city you called once again,
when you blew through your people on the rush of the wind.

Refrain

You call from tomorrow, you break ancient schemes.
From the bondage of sorrow all the captives dream dreams;

our women see visions, our men clear their eyes.
With bold new decisions your people arise. *Refrain*

Post-Communion Blessing

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

Sending

Announcements

† Blessing

The love of God abound in you; the grace of our Savior
Jesus Christ fill your hearts; and the life of the Spirit
✠ bless you and give you peace. **Amen.**

† Sending Hymn: We Give Thee but Thine Own

ELW 686

We give thee but thine own,
whate'er the gift may be;
all that we have is thine alone,
a trust, O Lord, from thee.

May we thy bounties thus
as stewards true receive,
and gladly, as thou blessest us,
to thee our firstfruits give.

The captive to release,
to God the lost to bring,
to teach the way of life and peace—
it is a Christlike thing.

And we believe thy word,
though dim our faith may be:
whate'er we do for thine, O Lord,
we do it unto thee.

† Dismissal

Go in peace. Live by the Spirit.

Thanks be to God.

Postlude

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