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November 26, 2023

Christ the King Sunday

9:30 a.m.

Holy Communion Setting 6—ELW (Evangelical Lutheran book of Worship) year A

INTRODUCTION

On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet we await the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.

PRELUDE

Announcements are on page 20-22.

Please stand if you are able.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

A very warm welcome to all who worship here this morning, we thank God for sending you to Tabor.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved.

Amen.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you.
We are not faithful in using your gifts.
We forget the least of our siblings.
We do not see your beautiful image in one another.
We are infected by sin
that divides your beloved community.
Open our hearts to your coming,
open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,
open our hands to serve your creation.
Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children, and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us. Through + Jesus you are forgiven, by Jesus you are welcome, in Jesus you are called to rejoice! Let us live in the promises prepared for us from the foundation of the world.

Amen.

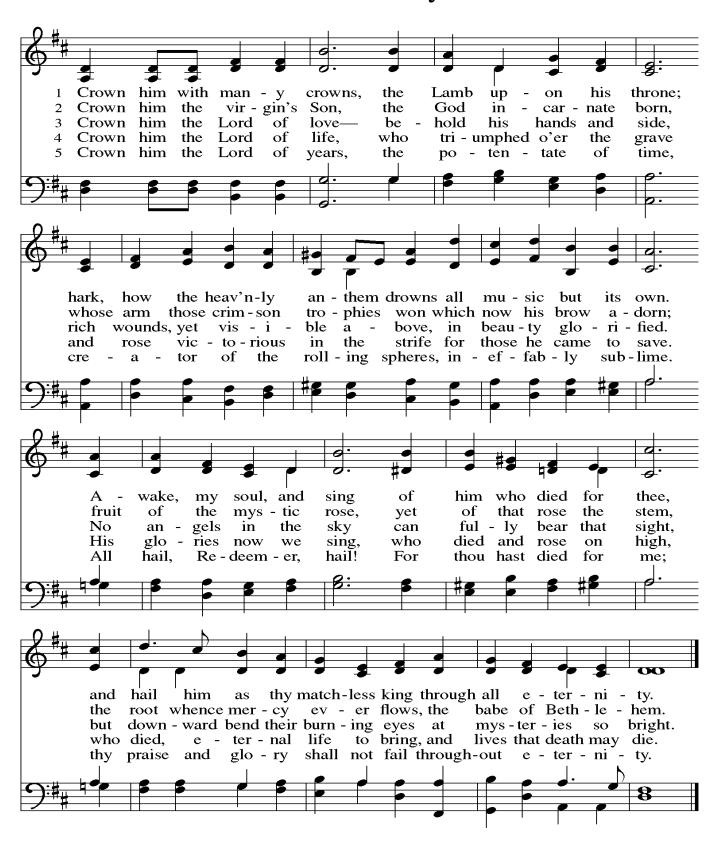
GATHERING

GATHERING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855

Crown Him with Many Crowns



Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4 Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

GREETING

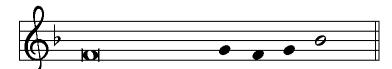
The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

And also with you.

CHILDREN GO TO JAM

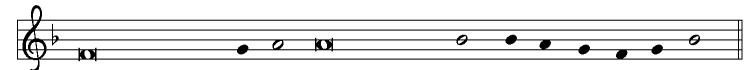
The children are invited to come forward. The children are dismissed for Children's JAM Sunday School, returning during the Peace.

KYRIE

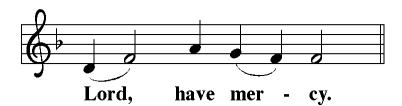


In peace, let us pray to the Lord.





For the peace from a - bove, and for our sal-vation, let us pray to the Lord.



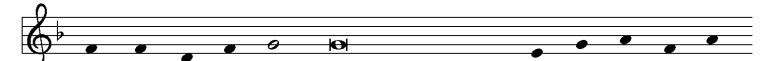


For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of



God, and for the uni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



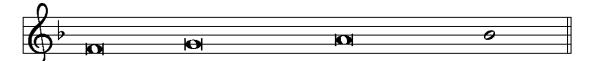


For this ho - ly house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and



praise, let us pray to the Lord.





Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gracious Lord.

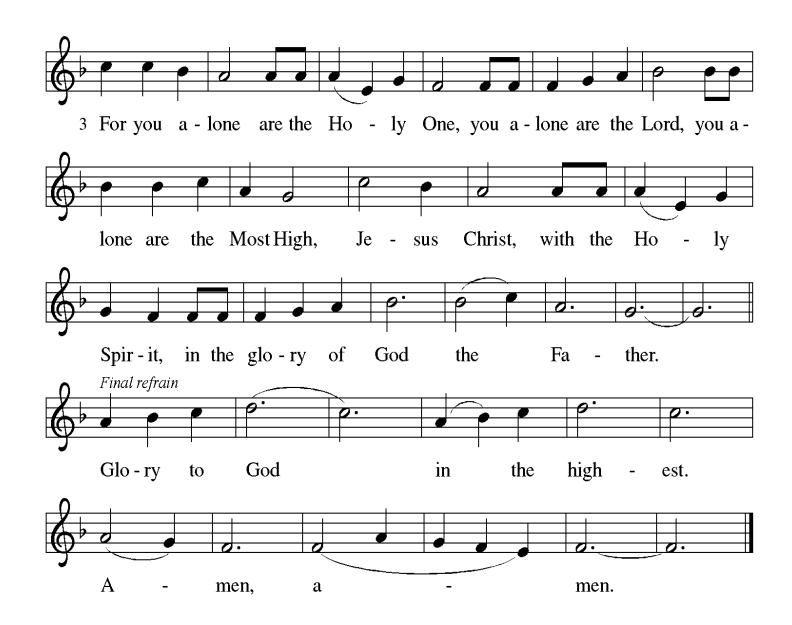


CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Glory to God

ELW Setting 6





PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, 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

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

PSALM: Psalm 95:1-7a

Read responsively

¹Come, let us sing | to the LORD;

let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.

²Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the LORD with psalms.

³For you, LORD, ¹ are a great God, and a great ruler a- ¹ bove all gods.

⁴In your hand are the caverns | of the earth; the heights of the hills are | also yours.

⁵The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land.

⁶Come, let us worship | and bow down, let us kneel before the | LORD our maker.

^{7a}For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

SECOND READING: Ephesians 1:15-23

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Please stand if you are able.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION





The Holy gospel according to Matthew, the 25th Chapter. Glory to you O Lord.

GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

The gospel of the Lord

Praise to you O Christ.

Please be seated.

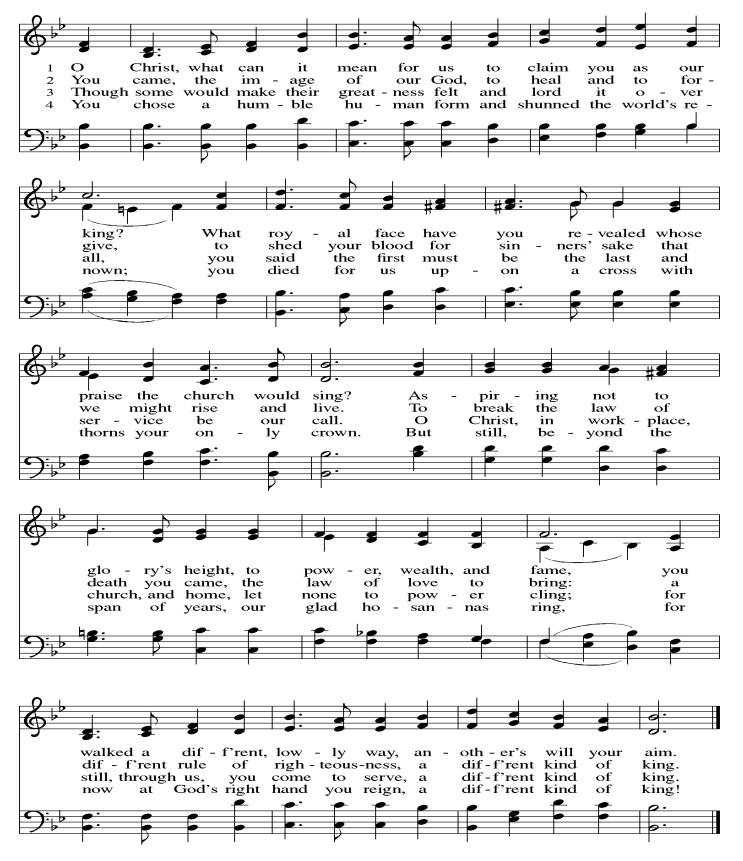
SERMON

Pastor Karen Matuska

A brief silence for reflection.

Please stand if you are able.

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us



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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 into hell.

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

Let us turn our hearts to God, our breath and life, as we pray for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence

Each petition ends:

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Prayers conclude with:

We offer our spoken prayers and those held in our hearts trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

MEAL

PEACE

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.**

Please be seated.

OFFERING OF GIFTS, TITHES AND MUSIC

Special Piano Music

Please stand if you are able.



OFFERING PRAYER

God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings.

Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

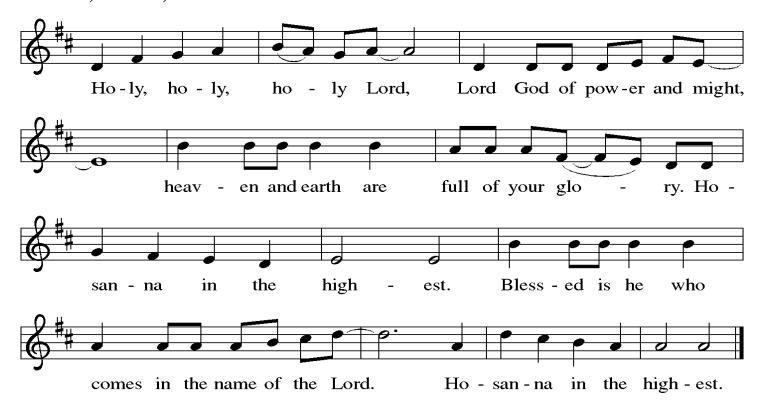
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father...

- O God, you are Breath: send your Spirit on this meal.
- O God, you are Bread: feed us with yourself.
- O God, you are wine: warm our hearts and make us one.

Through him, with him, in him, in the unity of the Holy spirit, all honor and glory is yours almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen

LORD'S PRAYER

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

There is a place for you at the banquet. Come and feast at Jesus' table.

Thanks be to God!

COMMUNION

When giving the bread and cup, the communion ministers say
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

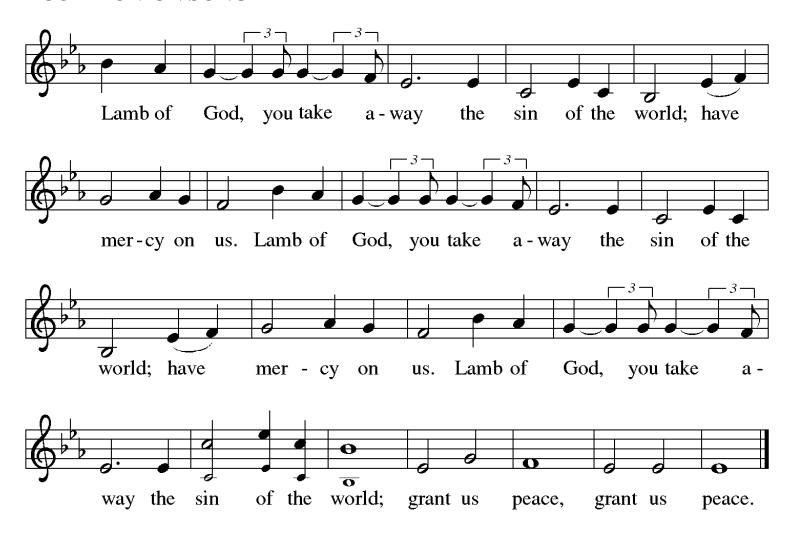
and each person may respond

Amen.

The Lord's table is open to all worshipers from all denominations who wish to share in God's blessing of the sacrament of Holy Communion. The real presence of Christ is in the bread and wine. Please follow the directions of the ushers. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are available if you prefer.

Please let the usher know if you need assistance.

COMMUNION SONG



COMMUNION HYMN

Now the Silence

ELW 460

Please repeat until Communion is complete

Now the Silence



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Music: NOW, Carl F. Schalk, b. 1929

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Please stand if you are able.

COMMUNION BLESSING

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

Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet. Sustain us on the journey, strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children, and give us glad and generous hearts as we meet you on the way.

Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

May the God of all creation, in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved, who strengthens us for service, give you reason to rejoice and be glad!

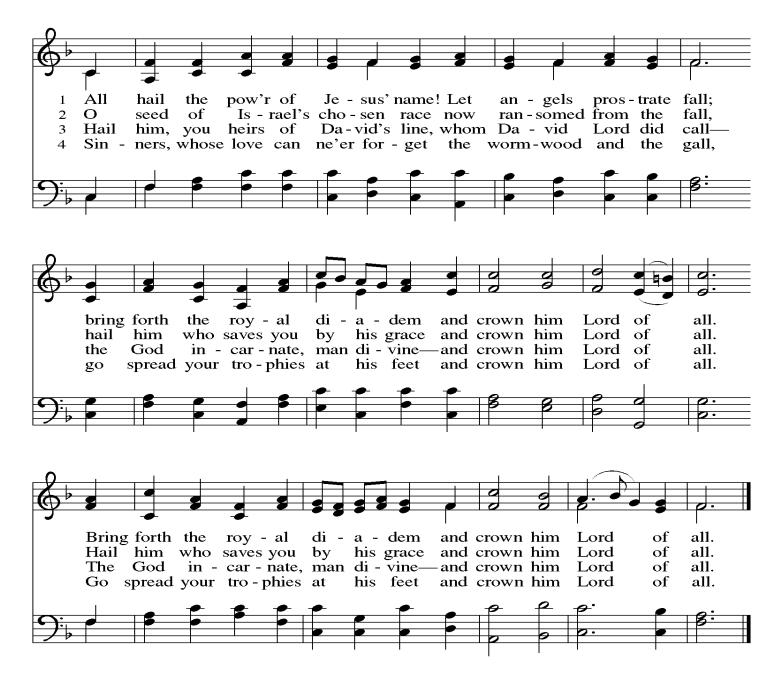
The blessing of God, Sovereign, + Savior, and Spirit, be with you today and always. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

ELW 634

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- 5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball to him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.
- 6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
 We'll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–1792, sts. 1–4; J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, sts. 5–6 Music: CORONATION, Oliver Holden, 1765–1844

DISMISSAL

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

Disciples Serving:	Today	Next Sunday
Assisting Minister:	Riley Dunton	Jerry Vargues
Presider:	Pastor Karen Matuska	Pastor Dominic Palacios
Pianist:	Dr. J. Michael Beck	Dr. J. Michael Beck
Altar Guild:	Connie Wisthoff/Cassie Walgren	Sue Kastelic
Ushers/Greeters:	Marvin Wisthoff/Jeff Jesmain	Jackie Cooley
Counters:	Kathy Lambert/Sue Kastelic	Nancy Piazza/Sue Kastelic
JAM:	Christmas Program Practice-JAM	Christmas Program Practice-JAM

PRAYERS

Members, Friends and Relatives	Added by Members
Doris Ask	People of Tabor
Shirley Bass	People of Tabor
Shirley DeRungs	People of Tabor
Virgie Giannetto	Lynn Truxell
Nina Jesmain	People of Tabor
Clay Kashner	People of Tabor
Cheryl Ostern	Sister of Sue Kastelic
Sydney Pine	Truxell Family
Pounds Family	Friends of Kastelic Family
Pam Salas	People of Tabor
The Stone/Pilakowski Family	Truxell Family
Marvin Truxell	Truxell & Vargues Families
Linda Wagner	Lynn Truxell
Brooklyn Youngblood	Janis Youngblood

BIRTHDAYS

December 2 Derek Truxell

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- We will be decorating the sanctuary for Christmas on today after worship. All volunteers willing to help will be greatly appreciated!
- Help decorate our sanctuary during the Christmas Season by purchasing a Poinsettia plant. The cost will be \$12 each plant. Please fill out an order form (available in the Narthex) for <u>each</u> plant ordered and place in the Poinsettia envelope and turn in with your offering, welcome slip or to the church office. Orders must be turned in by Sunday, December 10th. Plants may be taken home after Christmas Eve service.
- <u>The Christmas Program</u> will be held on Sunday, December 10th during worship. All ages are welcome to participate!

Practice Schedule:

Sunday, November 26th during JAM Sunday, December 3rd: during JAM

Saturday, December 9th: 10:00am in Sanctuary (get costumes)

^{*}If you would like to participate, please contact Cyrisse Cooley.



HE GOOD NEWS

TABOR TIDBITS WEEKLY UPDATE

November 22, 2023



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Birthdays

Dec 2

Derek Truxell



Please remember to bring your food items to fill the little Red Wagon in the Narthex. Donations go to the PCC Student Food Pantry.

If anyone has a men's Mountain Bike they would be willing to donate, Tony is in need of a bike for his transportation. The bike can be brought to the church.

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