



Twenty-Sixth Sunday after Pentecost

November 17, 2024

11:00 a.m.

Mission Statement

Christ the King Evangelical Lutheran Church is a welcoming and inclusive community nourished by Christ in vibrant worship and committed to God's mission of love and service especially to the oppressed and to the poor.



Welcome Statement

Wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome here. Called by the Holy Spirit, we are committed to welcoming and celebrating all people, inclusive of culture, age, race or ethnicity, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, ability, economic status, or family structure. We are committed to the work of racial equity and justice within and through our community that we all may be transformed to be fully the body of Christ in our world. We invite you to worship with us, receive Christ's gift of Holy Communion with us, share your own story with us, and serve with us as we strive to live into God's universal embrace in Jesus Christ.

Whether you are a new member or visiting for the first time, we welcome you to our spiritual home.

- If this is your first Sunday with us, please stop by our information kiosk to learn more about our church community.
- During our worship service, children are invited to enjoy the playground area. For families with infants, our nursery attendants are available to provide care. The nursery is accessible through the courtyard.
- Our Holy Communion elements are free of gluten and alcohol. You may choose to receive both the bread and cup, or either one: Christ is fully present in all.
- Restrooms are conveniently located in the ministry building. From the nave, simply follow the cloister through the courtyard and enter the double doors; you will find the restrooms on your left.
- Please note that firearms are strictly prohibited within all Christ the King Church buildings and courtyard at all times.

We are delighted to have you join us and hope you have a meaningful experience with us.

Cover: *Archangel Michael*, abstract art.

HOLY COMMUNION

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, *Setting Four*, beginning on page 147.

Gathering

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

Peeling of the Bells

Prelude

Tierce en Taille
Jean-Adam Guilain (1680-1739)

*The organ prelude serves as an opportunity to center oneself before worship.
We ask the congregation to refrain from conversation once the prelude begins.*

stand

Gathering Hymn 749

O God of Love, O King of Peace

1 O God of love, O King of peace, make wars through -
2 Re - mem - ber, Lord, your works of old, the won - ders
3 Whom shall we trust but you, O Lord? Where rest but
4 Where saints and an - gels dwell a - bove all hearts are

out the world to cease; our greed and sin - ful wrath re - strain.
that our el - ders told; re - mem - ber not our sins' deep stain.
on your faith - ful word? None ev - er called on you in vain.
knit in ho - ly love; oh, bind us in that heav'n - ly chain.

Give peace, O God, give peace a - gain.

Text: Henry W. Baker, 1821–1877
Music: ERHALT UNS, HERR, J. Klug, *Geistliche Lieder*, 1543

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

Soloist



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

All



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.



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.



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.

Prayer of the Day

Let us pray:

Almighty God, your sovereign purpose brings salvation to birth. Give us faith to be steadfast amid the tumults of this world, trusting that your kingdom comes and your will is done through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

Amen.

Word

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

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First Reading

Daniel 12:1-3

The deliverance of God's people at the end

¹“At that time Michael, the great prince, the protector of your people, shall arise. There shall be a time of anguish, such as has never occurred since nations first came into existence. But at that time your people shall be delivered, everyone who is found written in the book. ²Many of those who sleep in the dust of the earth shall awake, some to everlasting life, and some to shame and everlasting contempt. ³Those who are wise shall shine like the brightness of the sky, and those who lead many to righteousness, like the stars forever and ever.”

Word of God, word of life.

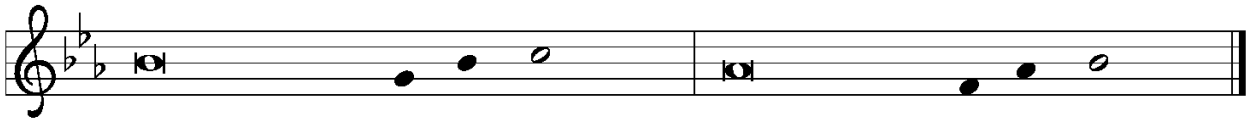
or The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Thanks be to God.

Psalm 16

Sung in alternation by verse



- ¹ Protect me, O God, for I take ref- | uge in you;
I have said to the LORD, “You are my Lord, my good a- | bove all other.”
- ² **All my delight is in the godly that are | in the land,
upon those who are noble a- | mong the people.**
- ³ But those who run after | other gods
shall have their troubles | multiplied.
- ⁴ **I will not pour out drink offerings | to such gods,
never take their names up- | on my lips.**
- ⁵ O LORD, you are my portion | and my cup;
it is you who up- | hold my lot.
- ⁶ **My boundaries enclose a | pleasant land;
indeed, I have a | rich inheritance.**
- ⁷ I will bless the LORD who | gives me counsel;
my heart teaches me night | after night.
- ⁸ **I have set the LORD al- | ways before me;
because God is at my right hand, I shall | not be shaken.**
- ⁹ My heart, therefore, is glad, and my spir- | it rejoices;
my body also shall | rest in hope.
- ¹⁰ **For you will not abandon me | to the grave,
nor let your holy one | see the pit.**
- ¹¹ You will show me the | path of life;
in your presence there is fullness of joy, and in your right hand are
pleasures for- | evermore.

The way to God opened through Christ's death

¹¹ Every priest stands day after day at his service, offering again and again the same sacrifices that can never take away sins. ¹² But when Christ had offered for all time a single sacrifice for sins, “he sat down at the right hand of God,” ¹³ and since then has been waiting “until his enemies would be made a footstool for his feet.” ¹⁴ For by a single offering he has perfected for all time those who are sanctified. [¹⁵ And the Holy Spirit also testifies to us, for after saying,

¹⁶ “This is the covenant that I will make with them
after those days, says the Lord:

I will put my laws in their hearts,
and I will write them on their minds,”

¹⁷ he also adds,

“I will remember their sins and their lawless deeds no more.”

¹⁸ Where there is forgiveness of these, there is no longer any offering for sin.]

¹⁹ Therefore, my friends, since we have confidence to enter the sanctuary by the blood of Jesus, ²⁰ by the new and living way that he opened for us through the curtain (that is, through his flesh), ²¹ and since we have a great priest over the house of God, ²² let us approach with a true heart in full assurance of faith, with our hearts sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and our bodies washed with pure water. ²³ Let us hold fast to the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who has promised is faithful. ²⁴ And let us consider how to provoke one another to love and good deeds, ²⁵ not neglecting to meet together, as is the habit of some, but encouraging one another, and all the more as you see the Day approaching.

Word of God, word of life.

or The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Thanks be to God.

stand

Gospel Acclamation

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

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

Be alert at all times, praying that you may have the strength to stand before the Son of Man. *Luke 23:36*

Gospel

Mark 13:1-8

The end and the coming of the Son

Whirl Story Bible, p. 306; Spark Story Bible, p. 346

The holy gospel according to Mark.

Glory to you, O Lord.

¹ As [Jesus] came out of the temple, one of his disciples said to him, “Look, Teacher, what large stones and what large buildings!” ² Then Jesus asked him, “Do you see these great buildings? Not one stone will be left here upon another; all will be thrown down.”

³ When he was sitting on the Mount of Olives opposite the temple, Peter, James, John, and Andrew asked him privately, ⁴ “Tell us, when will this be, and what will be the sign that all these things are about to be accomplished?”

⁵ Then Jesus began to say to them, “Beware that no one leads you astray.

⁶ Many will come in my name and say, ‘I am he!’ and they will lead many

astray. ⁷ When you hear of wars and rumors of wars, do not be alarmed; this

must take place, but the end is still to come. ⁸ For nation will rise against

nation, and kingdom against kingdom; there will be earthquakes in various places; there will be famines. This is but the beginning of the birth pangs.”

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

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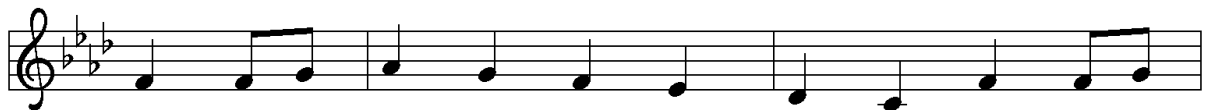
Sermon

Silence

At the conclusion of the introduction, the assembly stands to sing the Hymn of the Day.

Hymn of the Day 724

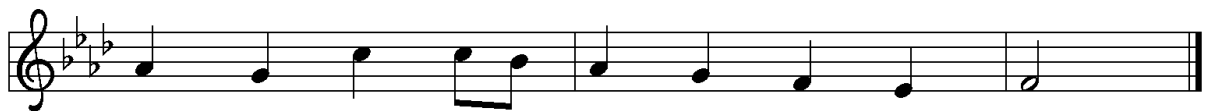
All Who Love and Serve Your City



1 All who love and serve your cit - y, all who
2 In your day of loss and sor - row, in your
3 In your day of wealth and plen - ty, wast - ed
4 For all days are days of judg - ment, and the
5 Ris - en Lord, shall yet the cit - y be the



bear its dai - ly stress, all who cry for peace and
day of help - less strife, hon - or, peace, and love re -
work and wast - ed play, call to mind the word of
Lord is wait - ing still, draw - ing near a world that
cit - y of de - spair? Come to - day, our judge, our



jus - tice, all who curse and all who bless,
treat - ing, seek the Lord, who is your life.
Je - sus, "You must work while it is day."
spurns him, of - f'ring peace from Cal - v'ry's hill.
glo - ry. Be its name "The Lord is there!"

Text: Erik Routley, 1917-1982

Music: NEW ORLEANS, Paul D. Weber, b. 1949

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Baptism Anniversaries and Apostles Creed

Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism as we rejoice with all who celebrate the anniversary of their baptism this week: Kennedy Wolf, Jacob Eddington, Ashlyn Whitefield, Luke Whitefield, Kylie Whitefield, Ulf Henningsen, Nancy Boles, Carolyn Phillips and with them we say:

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

Sit or kneel. Those in the Prayground are invited to light a tea light on the Prayground altar or color their prayers at this time and will be collected during the offering.

Merciful God, receive our prayer.

We join the whole church in commemorating: Elizabeth of Hungary, renewer of society, died 1231, November 17; Clement, Bishop of Rome, died around 100, November 23; Miguel Agustín Pro, martyr, died 1927, November 23.

Christ the King Church honors the trans community today with prayer, in light of Trans Day of Remembrance (November 20). Twenty-four candles are lit by the eternal flame, near the window of the Nave, to represent those trans people who have died this past year due to violence. May they rest in power.

stand

Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The people greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace and may say:

Peace be with you.

sit

Meal

God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Offering

If you give through your bank or online, please place a reusable "Our Offering" card in the basket. These cards are located in front of you in the pew backs.

Motet

Bless The Lord O My Soul
Mikail M. Ippolitov-Ivanov

Bless thou the Lord, O my soul.
Blessed art Thou, O Lord.
Bless the Lord and forget not all his benefits.
And all that is within me bless God's Holy name.
God is full of compassion and mercy,
long suffering and great goodness.
God will not always be chiding,
nor keep his wrath forever.

stand

Setting the Table

Ubi caritas et amor

The musical score is written for two voices (Soprano and Bass) and piano accompaniment. It consists of two systems of music. The first system has two staves: a vocal staff and a piano staff. The vocal staff contains the lyrics: "U - bi ca - ri - tas et a - mor, / Where true char - i - ty and love a - bide,". The piano staff provides accompaniment. The second system also has two staves: a vocal staff and a piano staff. The vocal staff contains the lyrics: "u - bi ca - ri - tas, De - us i - bi est. / God is dwell - ing there; God is dwell - ing there." The piano staff continues the accompaniment. The music is in a minor key and features a 3/4 time signature. There are triplets in the vocal line of the second system.

Text: Latin antiphon, 9th cent.; Taizé Community; tr. *With One Voice*
Music: TAIZÉ UBI CARITAS, Jacques Berthier, 1923–1994
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Offering Prayer

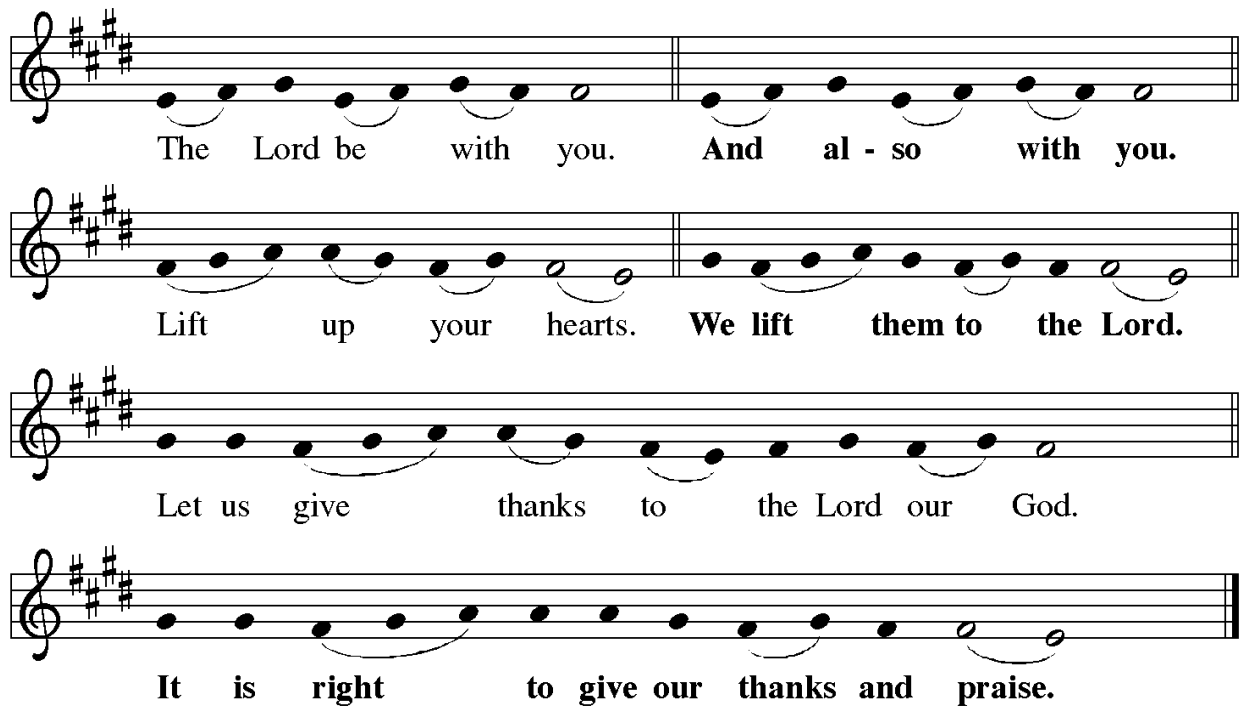
Let us pray:

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.

**Fill us with your abundance,
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,
trusting in your name.**

Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



The Lord be with you. And al - so 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 du - ty and our joy,

that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you,

al-mighty and merciful God, through our Sav - ior Je - sus Christ;

who on this day overcame death and the grave,

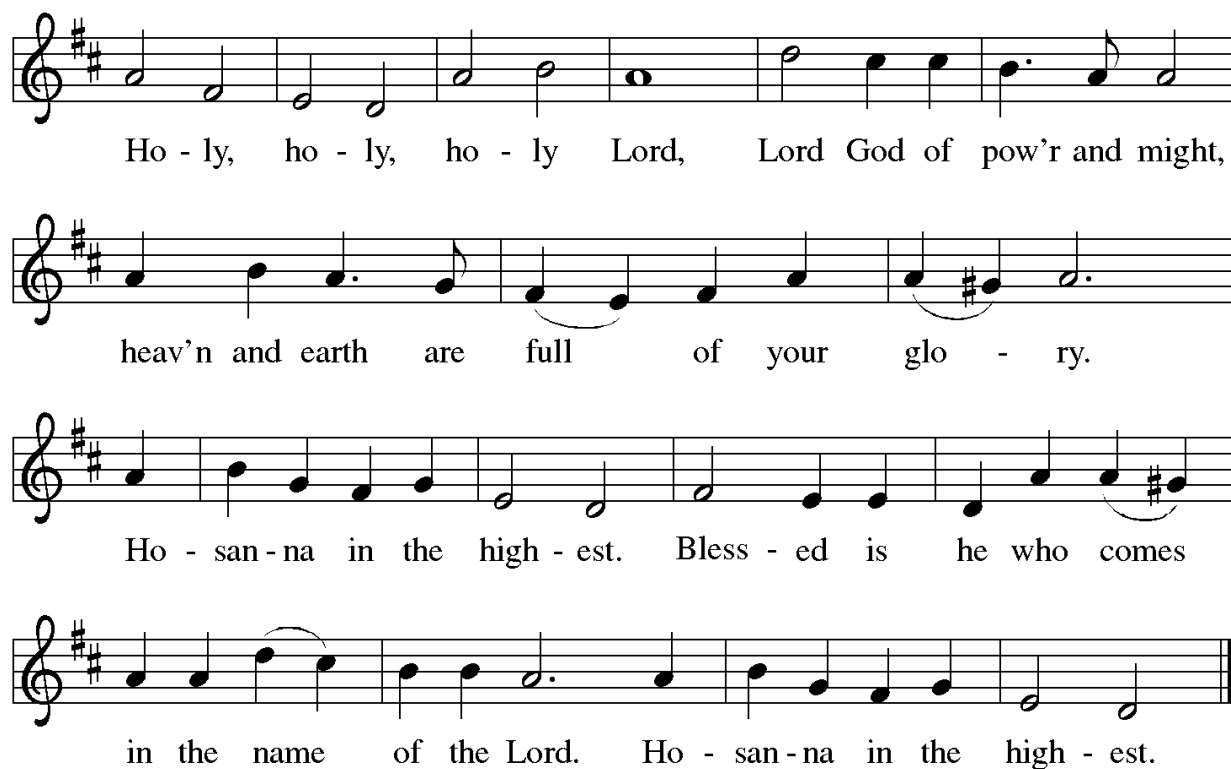
and by his glorious resur-rec - tion

opened to us the way of ev - er - last - ing life.

And so, with all the choirs of an - gels,

with the church on earth and the hosts of heav - en,

we praise your name and join their un - end - ing hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,
 heav'n 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 high - est.

The presiding minister continues in thanksgiving and intercession.

O God triune, how majestic
 is your name in all the earth.
 Over the eons your merciful might
 evolved our home, a fragile tree of life.
 Here by your wisdom
 are both life and death,
 growth and decay,
 the nest and the hunt,
 sunshine and storm,
 darkness and light.
 Sustained by these wonders,
 we creatures of dust join in the ancient song:
 The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you took on our flesh in Jesus our healer.
In Christ you bring life from death;
we remember his cross,
we laud his resurrection.
Broken like bread, he enlivens our body.
Outpoured like wine, he fills the earth with goodness.
Receiving this mystery,
we mortals sing our song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

We praise you for the heart of Jesus,
so filled with your love for this earth.

Our Lord Jesus Christ,
In the night in which he was betrayed, took bread;
and when he had given thanks,
he broke it and gave it
to his disciples, saying,
Take, eat; this is my body,
which is given for you,
to do this for the remembrance of me.

Again after supper, he took the cup,
and when he had given thanks,
he gave it to his disciples, saying,
Drink, all of you, this cup is
the new covenant in my blood,
which is shed for you, and for all people,
for the forgiveness of sin;
do this for the remembrance of me.

Gathered around this table,
we your children unite in this song:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

O God triune, you create the worlds,
you uphold the living,
you embrace the dead.
Send forth your Spirit
and renew the face of the earth.
Strengthen us for our journey with this meal,
the body and blood of Christ.
Give us a future that trusts in you
and cares for your earth.
Empowered by your promises,
we rise from our deaths
to praise you again:
The earth is full of your glory.
The earth is full of your glory.

Amen, and amen.
Amen, and 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.**

Communion

Invitation to the Lord's Table

Behold, God is making all things new.

Take your place in the new creation.

All are welcome to receive Holy Communion. You are invited to take an individual communion cup from the table at the corner of the pews and approach the altar rail from its corner. You may receive the sacrament or a blessing, kneeling or standing. Please return to the seats through the short center aisles where there are trays for used glasses. Children of all ages are invited to commune or receive a blessing. Our Holy Communion elements do not contain gluten or alcohol.

If you do not wish to commune, please come to the altar rail with other worshipers for a blessing.

sit

Lamb of God



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the

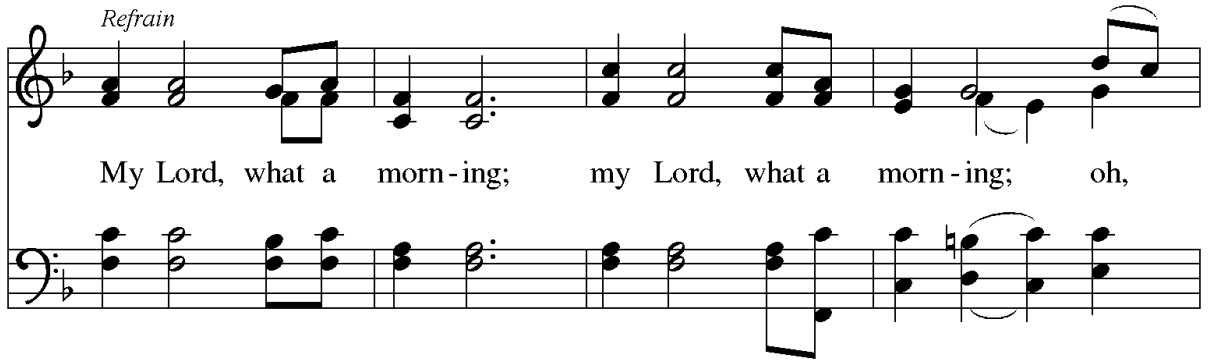


sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Hymn 438

My Lord, What a Morning

Refrain



My Lord, what a morn-ing; my Lord, what a morn-ing; oh,

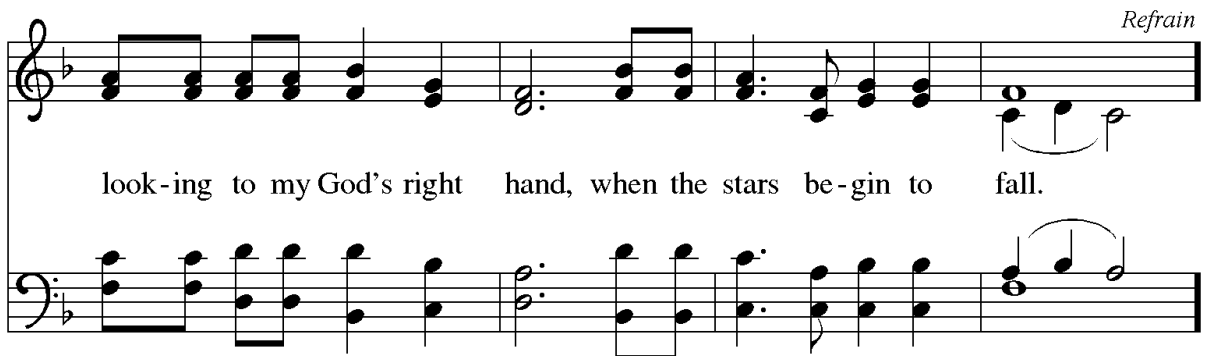


my Lord, what a morn-ing, when the stars be-gin to fall.



1 You will hear the trum-pet sound,
2 You will hear the sin-ner cry, to wake the na-tions un-der - ground,
3 You will hear the Chris-tian shout,

Refrain



look-ing to my God's right hand, when the stars be-gin to fall.

Text: African American spiritual
Music: BURLEIGH, African American spiritual

Hymn

God Alone Be Praised



1 O - ceans rise, the coast-land trem-bles; moun-tains melt and dry earth
 2 Na - tions rage, the em - pire fal - ters; seek-ing ref - uge, ex - iles
 3 Come and see; God's mer - cy gath - ers all that sin and grief have



crum-bles. All the world with long - ing groans. Love a -
 wan - der. Walls and weap - ons rise from fear. Through this
 shat - tered. Life from fields of death is raised. Peace, be



bides, this gra - cious prom - ise is our help, our hope and
 wil - der - ness a riv - er flows to heal and bless us
 still; let pride - ful thun - der yield to songs of joy and



so - lace. God's strong word is sol - id ground.
 ev - er. God the cru - ci - fied dwells here.
 won - der. God and God a - lone be praised.

Text: Susan R. Briehl, b. 1952, based on Psalm 46
 Music: AD LUCEM, Zebulon M. Highben, b. 1979
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Communion Blessing

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

Sending of the Lay Eucharistic Ministers

In the name of this congregation, I send you forth bearing these holy gifts, that those to whom you go may share with us in the communion of Christ's body and blood.

We who are many are one body, because we all share one bread, one cup.
Amen.

The bread and wine are taken from the Lord's table to members who are hospitalized, home-bound, or otherwise unable to be present in the liturgy.

Post Communion Canticle

How Shall I Sing That Majesty



How great a be - ing, Lord, is thine, which doth all be - ings



keep! Thy knowl - edge is the on - ly line to sound so



vast a deep; thou art a sea with - out a



shore, a sun with - out a sphere; thy time is



now and ev - er - more, thy place is ev - 'ry - where.

Text: John Mason, 1646–1694, vs. 4
Music: Kenneth Naylor, 1931–1991

Post-Communion Prayer

Let us pray:

Faithful God,

you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink
in the body and blood of your Son.

**Now send us out to labor with you,
in service to the world you have made,
and among the people you have made your home,
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.**

Amen.

Sending

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

Brief Announcements

1 All my hope on God is found - ed who will all my
 2 Mor - tal pride and earth - ly glo - ry, sword and crown be -
 3 Great thy good-ness, e'er en - dur - ing; deep thy wis - dom,
 4 Still from earth to God e - ter - nal sac - ri - fice of

trust re - new, who through change and chance will guide me,
 tray our trust; what with care and toil we fash - ion,
 pass - ing thought; splen - dor, light, and life at - tend thee,
 praise be done, high a - bove all prais - es prais - ing

on - ly good and on - ly true. God un - known, God a -
 tow'r and tem - ple, fall to dust. But thy pow'r, hour by
 beau - ty spring - ing out of naught. Ev - er - more from thy
 for the gift of God's own Son. Christ doth call one and

lone, call my heart to be thine own.
 hour, is my tem - ple and my tow'r.
 store new - born worlds rise and a -
 all: ye who fol - low shall not fall.

Blessing

The Ancient One, enthroned,
 the Crucified One, now risen,
 the Indwelling One, poured out,
 ✚ bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Prayer for Peace and Dismissal

Let us pray.

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace.

Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give

peace to your church,

peace among nations,

peace in this nation,

peace in our homes, and

peace in our hearts

through your Son, Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord. Amen.

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God.

Pealing of the Bells

Earliest accounts of Christian worship testify to an offering following the Eucharist designated to the poor and the alien by those able to give out of gratitude to God and generosity in imitating Christ.

Month-to-date contributions are \$741.70.

Christ the King Lutheran Church thanks you for your generous financial support. Offerings may be mailed to the church office, 2353 Rice Blvd., Houston, TX 77005, or given online through our website, www.ckelc.org.



The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by John and Susan Myres Uri, in celebration of their thirty-fourth wedding anniversary and in memory of their parents.

*Snacks are provided by Amy Allen.
Donations benefit the ELCA World Hunger.*

This Week at Christ the King Church

Sunday, November 17

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8:30 a.m. Worship, nave
9:00 a.m. CTK Blood Drive, basement
adult classroom
9:00 a.m. UMOJA Worship,
Memorial campus
9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish
hall
9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class, 2nd
floor council room
9:45 a.m. Music Gathering for
Kids, music suite
10:00 a.m. Godly Play Classes
10:20 a.m. Choir rehearsal, nave
11:00 a.m. Worship, nave
12:15 p.m. Luther League
Meeting, 2nd floor council room

Monday, November 18

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at
home
10:30 a.m. Bible Study, The Village
of Southampton
12:00 p.m. Lectio Divina, online
6:30 p.m. Spanish Language Class,
2nd floor council room
7:00 p.m. Scandinavian Dancers,
parish hall
7:00 p.m. University of Houston
Fall Studio Recital, nave

Tuesday, November 19

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer at home
10:00 a.m. Staff Meeting, Rice
Village Campus
7:00 p.m. Council Meeting, Luther
room at Memorial campus

Wednesday, November 20

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
10:00 a.m. Prayers Shawl Knitters,
online
10:00 a.m. Coffee and Conversation,
Luther room at Memorial Campus
10:30 a.m. Bible Study, Luther
room at Memorial Campus
6:00 p.m. Dinner Church, parish hall
at Rice Village Campus
6:00 p.m. Brass Choir, narthex
7:00 p.m. Brass Quintet, parish hall
7:15 p.m. Choir Rehearsal, music
suite

Thursday, November 21

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
3:00 p.m. Bible study, The Rev. Dr.
Amandus Derr, online
5:45 p.m. Boy Choir, music suite &
nave
6:30 p.m. D&D Meeting, offsite

Friday, November 22

8:15 a.m. Morning Prayer, at home
 10:00 a.m. Bible Study, 2nd floor
 council room & online

Saturday, November 23

1:00 p.m. Online Yoga, contact
 Beverly Davis, bad21a@aol.com
 6:00 p.m. Contemplative Worship,
 nave

**Christ the King Sunday: Sunday,
November 24**

8:30 a.m. Worship, nave
 9:00 a.m. UMOJA Worship, Memorial
 campus

9:45 a.m. Sunday Forum, parish hall
 9:45 a.m. Luther Foundations, adult
 basement classroom

9:45 a.m. Confirmation Class, 2nd
 floor council room

9:45 a.m. Music Gathering for Kids,
 music suite

10:00 a.m. Godly Play Classes

10:20 a.m. Choir rehearsal, nave

11:00 a.m. Worship, nave

12:15 p.m. Luther League Meeting,
 2nd floor council room

5:00 p.m. Magnolia City Brass Band,
 nave

6:00 p.m. Young Adult Pop-up
 Gathering, offsite

Sunday Mornings at 9:45 a.m.

Join us each Sunday at 9:45 a.m. for fellowship and connection with your church families. There are numerous opportunities to spend time together between our services, including tours for learning about our Rice Village church campus, coffee and fellowship time, bible studies, and more.

Upcoming Topics:**November 17:**

- Blood Donation (Basement Adult Classroom)
- CTK's Debt Reduction Plan (Parish Hall- Led by Finance Team)

November 24:

- Lutheran Foundations # 3: Bread, Wine, Oil (Adult Basement Classroom)
- CTK's Long-Term Capital Spending Plan (Parish Hall- Led by Property and Finance Team)

December 1:

- Advent Wreath Workshop, courtyard
- Tour of Rice Village Campus with Kim Williams, courtyard

December 8:

- Imagery in Nativity Scenes by Daniel Zorn

Christ the King Blood Drive – Sunday, November 17

Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center will be in the Adult Classroom in the Basement on Sunday, November 17th from 9:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. While 1 in 7 hospitalized people will need a blood transfusion in a lifetime, only 1 in 20 eligible blood donors donate. Remember, there is no replacement for blood—your donation saves lives. Donors will receive a “Saving Lives” blanket. Youth aged 16 can donate blood with parental consent and youth 17 and up do not need consent to blood drive. To sign up click here: https://www.commitforlife.org/donor/schedules/drive_schedule/394656.

University of Houston Fall Studio Recital – Monday, November 18 at 7:00

p.m. Students of Daryl Robinson in the University of Houston Organ studio perform on the Noack organ and Kalsbeek harpsichord at Christ the King Lutheran Church.

Dinner Church: Come Join Us

Wednesday, November 20th at Rice Village Campus in the Parish Hall

Wednesday, December 4th at Memorial Campus in the Fellowship Hall

You are invited to join us for a new worship opportunity that offers liturgy within the setting of a potluck meal. We will begin to gather at 6 p.m. with time to get to know each other. Our liturgy will begin with a gathering, we will explore scripture together while we share a meal, and we will finish with Holy Communion and fellowship. Our scripture this year includes selections from the Book of Revelation. (*Choir members, please note that we will be finished with our liturgy at the Rice Village Campus before 7:15pm*)

Magnolia City Brass Band – Sunday, November 24 at 5:00 p.m.

The Magnolia City Brass Band, supported by the Houston Arts Alliance, is proud to present an evening celebrating female composers and performers in the world of exhilarating brass band music at Christ the King Lutheran Church. Highlights include Imogen Holst’s lively *The Unfortunate Traveller*, Dorothy Gates’ stirring arrangement of Sibelius’ *Finlandia*, and Ennio Morricone’s moving *Gabriel’s Oboe*. Featured performers include flügelhornist Audrey Foster and a stellar women’s quartet—cornetists Lydia Hanje and Sarah Perkins, tenor horn player Deborah Harvey, and solo euphonium Anne Wertz—showcasing their remarkable talents in Philip Sparke’s *Concerto Grosso*. The evening will also feature Peter Graham’s rousing *Gaelforce* and Leos Janáček’s thrilling *Sokol* fanfare from *Sinfonietta*.

Young Adult Pop-up Gathering—Bowling @ Palace Social – Sunday, November 24, 4p.m. - 6p.m.

The CTK Young Adult group invites you to join them for an afternoon of Bowling at Palace Social (4191 Bellaire Blvd., Suite 150, Houston, TX 77025), from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. To join in this outing and to know of upcoming outings, reach out to Pastor Sergio Rodriguez, sergiorodriguez@ctkelc.org, so that you can be added to the WhatsApp group.

Thanksgiving Day Service and Meal, November 28 at 10:30 a.m.

Join us for a service of Word as we celebrate Thanksgiving Day, and stay for a meal afterwards. If you are interested in bringing a dish, please sign up and consider bringing a dish to share,
<https://forms.office.com/r/S1vucnxWwJ>



Advent Wreath Workshop: Sunday, December 1

Our Altar Guild will once again host their annual wreath making in the courtyard. Materials are provided. A donation of \$20 is suggested to cover the costs. All ages are invited to join in this communal craft activity to begin the Advent season in your homes. If you already have a wreath that you would like to decorate, please bring it, and join the fun.

Advent Retreat: Dec. 6-8

A gathering for 1st-6th grade youth to explore the joy of advent.

Christmas is coming! Let's get ready. Advent is the sacred time in our church year that helps us prepare for Jesus to be born into our world, again. It is a time of holy anticipation and preparation. At this mini-retreat, campers gather for an action-packed 24 hours at the Hill. We will get ready for Christmas as we explore the story of Jesus' birth and prepare space in our lives and our hearts for Jesus to come. Register at www.lutherhill.org.

Cost:

- 1-Night Cost (Dec. 6-7): \$75 per Camper
- 2-Night Cost (Dec. 6-8): \$110 per Camper

Do You See What I See? Imagery in Nativity Scenes: Sunday, December 8 at 9:45 a.m.

Although Nativity scenes can be enjoyed on purely aesthetic and spiritual grounds, to fully appreciate a Nativity it is necessary to understand the origins of the imagery and the context in which it was created. Daniel Zorn, coordinator of the Creche Festival, hosted by Christ the King, will lead a discussion on imagery in nativity scenes.

Fill a Shoebox and Delight a Seafarer: Bring your shoebox to church by Sunday, December 1

Christ the King Lutheran Church is collecting shoeboxes filled with gifts to give to seafarers who visit the Port of Houston during the holiday season. The gifts will be distributed by the Seafarers' ecumenical ministry. We encourage members and friends to fill a shoe-box FULL with items such as: combs, soap, shaving cream, disposable razors, lip balm, toothbrushes and toothpaste, pads, pens, puzzles, envelopes, needles and thread, deodorant, heavy socks (no ankle socks), shoe laces, work gloves, knit caps, flashlights, calendars, bottle openers, nail clippers, aspirin, band-aids, key chains, small photo albums, USB memory sticks, Texas souvenirs, playing cards, magazines, hard candy (no chocolate) or something fun. Monetary donations are also welcome - give online through "other and put Seafarers in

the Memo line. Please pack boxes for men (there are very few women on the vessels).

Jingle Bell Express:

Since 1980, CCSC has spread holiday cheer through Jingle Bell Express and has helped over 2,500 underserved children. You can help by donating toys and volunteering.

Donate Christmas Gifts

Donations of new, unwrapped, nonviolent toys for kids ages 0-15 years of age are encouraged. There are three easy ways to donate.

1. **Shop the Jingle Bell Express Wish List: Deadline: November 30, 2024**
2. **Bring your toys to church: By Sunday, December 1**
3. **Deliver Toys to the CCSC Office or Bellaire United Methodist Church,
Deadline: December 6**

Volunteer: https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4AA8AB2DA3F5C25-51707184-ccsc#/ Questions? Email CCSC at seasonal@ccschouston.org.

Bible Studies at Christ the King Church

Weekly Bible studies, in person and on zoom, on both campuses

Mondays (twice monthly) at 10:30 a.m. with Kim Williams and Deacon Aimee Elles at The Village at Southampton, ends December 2.

Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. with The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Hope-Tringali, Kim Williams and Deacon Aimee Elles at Memorial campus, Luther Room, ends December 4. (Coffee and conversation will begin at 10:00 a.m.)

Thursdays at 3:00 p.m. with The Rev. Dr. Amandus Derr, online.

Fridays at 10:00 a.m. with Pastor Sergio Rodriguez at Rice Village campus and online, ends November 22.

Snacks Volunteers Needed

We need volunteers to provide snacks after worship for:

- December 8 at 8:30 a.m.
- December 22 at 8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m.
- December 29 at 8:30 a.m.



You can sign up by scanning the QR Code. Plan to provide snacks for 30 people. All monetary donations received at the snack table will benefit ELCA World Hunger. Thank you for signing up!

Serving

God gives us gifts and talents so that we might serve.

David Karohl	Head Usher
KC Lunden, Liz Lunden, Bill Burgess	Ushers
Henry Goodrow, Jim Willcockson	Bellringers
Jesus Ortega	Crucifer
Ben Kerswell	Cantor
Martin Jones	Music Associate
Rachel McWhirter, Mark Lichtenberger	Digital Vergers
Lisa Miller	Lay Eucharistic Minister
Cathy Norberg.....	Lay Eucharistic Minister
Dcn. Ben Remmert	Eucharistic Minister
Karli McGowen.....	Server
Aimee Liou Havemann	Server
Dcn. Aimee Elles.....	Assisting Minister
The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Hope-Tringali.....	Presiding Minister
The Rev. Sergio Rodriguez.....	Preacher

Members of the Altar Guild:

Jill Bailer, Bette Bowers, Anita Bryant, Kellye Burke, Carole Derr, Reinetta Hansen, Maureen Lamson, Gaelyn Lesher, Liz Lloyd, Linda Marx, Peggy Mathis, Jacquelyn McAnelly, Marie Monroe, Mary Jane Orsburn, Jan Petner, Eleanor Verret, and Nyla Woods. Members bake bread and order flowers, deliver flowers to church members, rotate paraments, arrange the communion ware, and generally prepare the nave for worship. Contact Gaelyn Lesher, lesher2@sbcglobal.net, for more information.

The People of Christ the King Church Ministers
The Rev. Dr. Jennifer Hope-Tringali..... Senior Pastor
The Rev. Sergio Rodriguez Pastor of Parish Life
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Rachel McWhirterDirector of Digital Ministry
Dcn. Aimee Elles..... Director of Congregational Engagement
Kim Williams.....Director of Community Engagement
Ben Kerswell.....Cantor
Dcn. Rick Erickson..... Cantor Emeritus
Martin Jones..... Music Associate
Robert Walp..... Director of the Brass Choir
Vicki Gorman, Calvin Harris, Fernando Grimaldo.....Staff Singers
Scott Summers.....Property Maintenance Technician
Cheryl Gaspard.....Executive Administrator
Maribel Haro Administrative Assistant
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