# November 24, 2024 Christ the King Sunday



#### **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, our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end. **Amen.** 

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

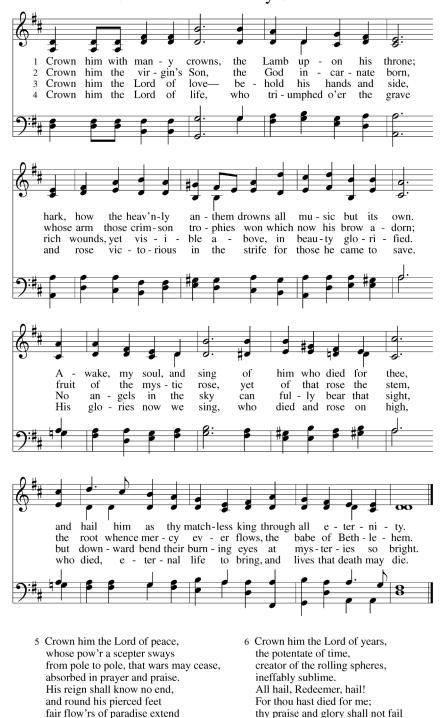
Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy, we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power. We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free. Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant way of Jesus. Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true: Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever. For his sake, you are ⊕ forgiven and God remembers your sin no more. Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.** 

#### ENTRANCE HYMN - CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS (LBW 170)

Crown Him with Many Crowns



#### GREETING

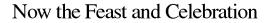
The Grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.** 

throughout eternity.

their fragrance ever sweet.

Kyrie







## **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

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.** 

## First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

| <sup>9</sup> As I watched,   |
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| 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.  |
| <sup>10</sup> A 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.   |
| <sup>13</sup> As I watched in the night visions,                         |
| I saw one like a human being   |
| coming with the clouds of heaven.<br>And he came to the Ancient One      |
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| and was presented before him.<br><sup>14</sup> To 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.   |
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The word of the Lord.

## Thanks be to God.

## **Psalm: 93** (Read responsively by whole verse)

- <sup>1</sup>The Lord is king, robed in majesty; the Lord is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The Lord has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.
- <sup>2</sup> Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from <sup>1</sup> everlasting.
- <sup>3</sup>The waters have lifted up, O Lord, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
- <sup>4</sup> Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.
- <sup>5</sup>Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O Lord, forever and forevermore.

## Second Revelation 1:4b-8

<sup>4b</sup> Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup> and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. <sup>8</sup> I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## Halle, Halle, Hallelujah



The Holy Gospel according to John, the 18<sup>th</sup> Chapter.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

#### Gospel: John 18:33-37

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

#### Praise to you, O Christ.

#### SERMON – REVEREND RICK NEU

#### HYMN OF THE DAY - REJOICE, THE LORD IS KING! (LBW 171)



#### **APOSTLE'S 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 power of 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

Let us intercede before the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ for the sake of the Church, the world, and one another. *A brief silence* 

Father, "though the eyes made blind by sin thy glory may not see," even so, give us eyes to see Jesus. Give us ears to hear his word of Truth resounding in halls of power. Give us lips to proclaim him as Savior and King of the universe. Give us hearts to adore him. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You have made your Son King of creation and head of your holy Church. Bind the Church to Christ with cords of love. Make it unswerving in faith, radiant in holiness, and bold in witness. Use it to draw all people to his Cross, there to acclaim him as Lord, King, and Savior. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

You have made your Son fairer than the sparkling stars on high. Let the light of his love bring joy to all Christians who suffer for naming Jesus as Lord. May that same light illumine and cleanse the darkness in the hearts of their tormentors. Help us to remember them in prayer, to stand with them in witness, and help them however we can. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You have made your Son our Savior and Lord. Fill the people of this congregation with your Holy Spirit, so that in all we say and do, among all people we encounter, we acclaim Jesus Christ as Son of God and Son of man. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

You have made your Son fairer than sunlight, moonlight, and sparkling stars on high. Give to all who love the beauty of creation a deeper love for the uncreated light and supernal beauty of your Son, the Word by which all worlds were made. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You have made your Son Lord of the nations. By your Holy Spirit, conform the hearts of rulers and people to the heart of Christ; and let his peace reign undisturbed in every land. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer**.

You have made your Son our light, joy, and crown. Let his strong saving love accompany those who serve our country, here and abroad. Fill them with honor, courage, and wisdom. Bring them home in safety when their task is done. Heal and strengthen the wounded. Help them all to transition well into civilian life. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**  You have made your Son fairer than woodlands, meadows, and flowers of blooming spring. Let his beauty, healing, and compassion cause all sorrowing hearts to sing. Especially this day we pray for the needs of those we bring before either silently or aloud...Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

Most gracious Father, you have made your Son shine more brightly than the angels of heaven. We thank you for the lives of the faithful departed, who already see his glory face to face. Fill us with such faith and love that, in your good time, we shall join them in singing, "Glory and honor, praise, adoration, now and forever more be thine." Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.** 

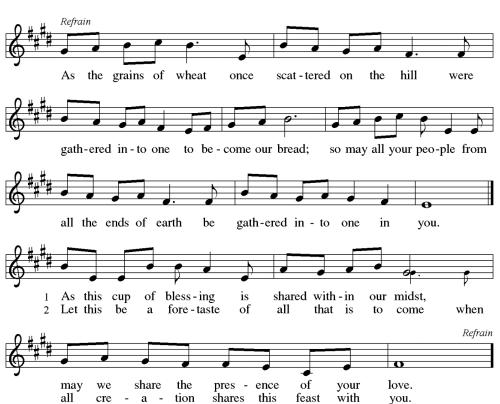
For Jesus' sake, dear Father, graciously hear and generously answer our fervent petitions, to your glory and for the benefit off for whom we pray. **Amen**.

#### **CELEBRATING THE EUCHARIST**

#### PEACE

The Peace of the Lord be with you always. And also with you. (If you choose to exchange the peace, please use hand sanitizer before you start and again when finished.)

## **OFFERING & OFFERTORY – AS THE GRAINS OF WHEAT (WOV 705)**



# As the Grains of Wheat

## **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

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.** 

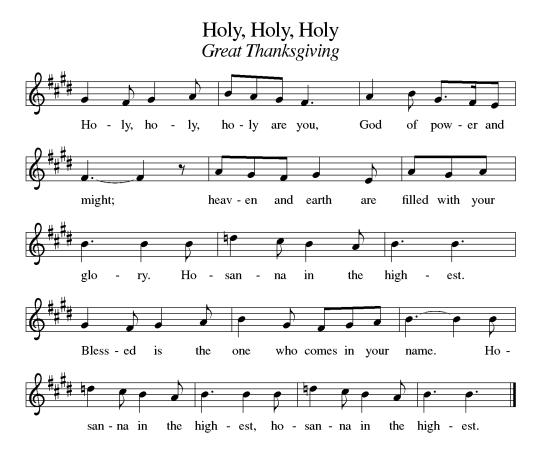
## **GREAT THANKSGIVING**

- P: The Lord be with you.
- C: And also with you.
- P: Lift up your hearts.
- C: We lift them to the Lord.
- P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

#### PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; 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 the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## SANCTUS (ELW 191A)



## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE: AUTUMN

Holy God,

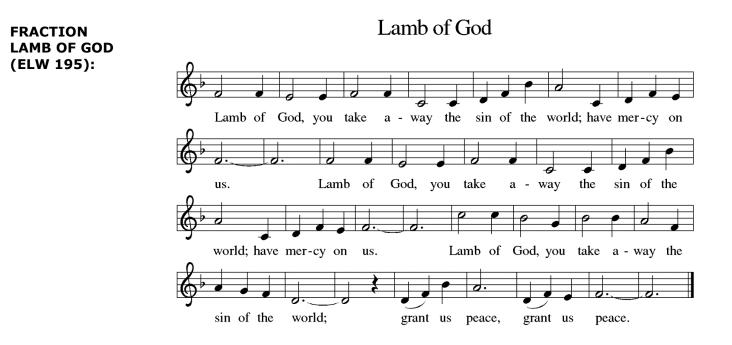
our Bread of life, our Table, and our Food, you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance. You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life, and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven. You sent your Son to eat with sinners

and to become food for the world. In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me. Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me. Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave, we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast. By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son. Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever. Amen

#### 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 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.



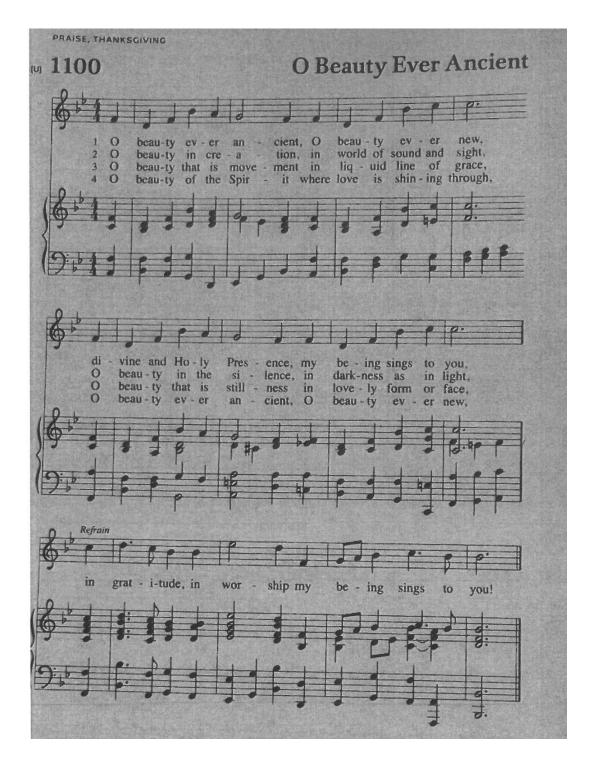
## **INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

#### COMMUNION

The Body of Christ given for you. The Blood of Christ shed for you. (Please use hand sanitizer before coming to the Altar. Both intinction and common cup are available.)

## HYMN OF THE MONTH - O BEAUTY EVER ANCIENT (ACS 1100)



#### TABLE BLESSING

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

## **POST COMMUNION CANTICLE (ELW 208)**



## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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.** 



Lift High the Cross

#### BLESSING

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

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

**DISMISSAL:** 

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.