Christ the King Sunday

November 20, 2022 Virtual Bulletin with Holy Communion, Setting III Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church Rev. Zachary W. Johnson, Pastor Donna Menzies, Assistant to the Pastor, Visitation & Spiritual Care Douglas Shabe, Director of Music Hannah Lee, Organist Kate Radford, Soloist Bob Menzies, Assistant Minister Anita Mork, Lector

Order of the Liturgy

Prelude

"It Is Well with My Soul"

arr. Cindy Berry

THANKSGIVING FOR BAPTISM

In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, we are clothed with God's mercy and forgiveness. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.

We give you thanks, O God, for in the beginning your Spirit moved over the waters and by your Word you created the world, calling forth life in which you took delight.

Through the waters of the flood you delivered Noah and his family. Through the sea you led your people Israel from slavery into freedom. At the river your Son was baptized by John and anointed with the Holy Spirit. By water and your Word you claim us as daughters and sons, making us heirs of your promise and servants of all.

We praise you for the gift of water that sustains life, and above all we praise you for the gift of new life in Jesus Christ. Shower us with your Spirit, and renew our lives with your forgiveness, grace, and love.

To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.



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

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 (Lord Have Mercy)
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy. For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord. Lord, have mer - cy.







PRAYER OF THE DAY

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.**

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

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: Psalm 46 The congregation responds with the bold verses.

¹God is our ref-[|] uge and strength, a very present [|] help in trouble.

- ²Therefore we will not fear, though the ¹ earth be moved,
 - and though the mountains shake in the depths [|] of the sea;
- ³though its waters ¹ rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble ¹ with its tumult.
- ⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the cit-¹ y of God,

the holy habitation of [|] the Most High.

⁵God is in the midst of the city; it shall ¹ not be shaken; God shall help it at the ¹ break of day. ⁶The nations rage, and the ¹ kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth ¹ melts away.

⁷The LORD of ¹ hosts is with us; the God of Jacob ¹ is our stronghold.

⁸Come now, regard the works [|] of the LORD,

what desolations God has brought up- | on the earth;

⁹behold the one who makes war to cease in ¹ all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the ¹ shields with fire.

¹⁰"Be still, then, and know that ¹ 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

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: Luke 23:33-43

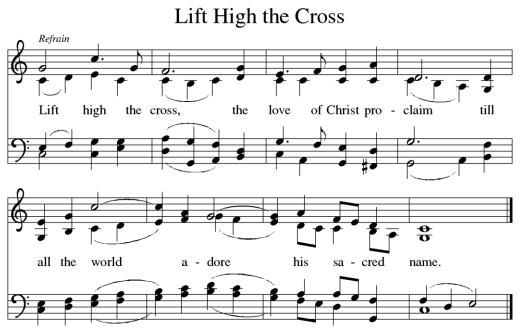
³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴[[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; 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 our Lord. Thanks be to God.

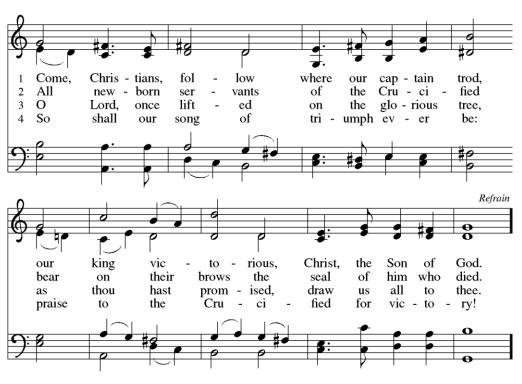
SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY



ELW 660

Pastor Zach Johnson



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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

Each petition ends with "Hear us, O God" the assembly responds with "your mercy is great."

SHARING OF THE PEACE - *The presiding and the assembly share a virtual sign of peace.* The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

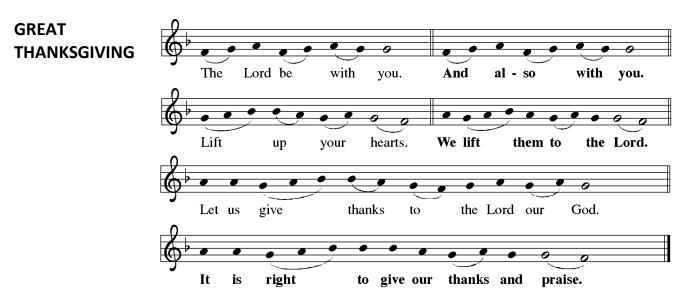
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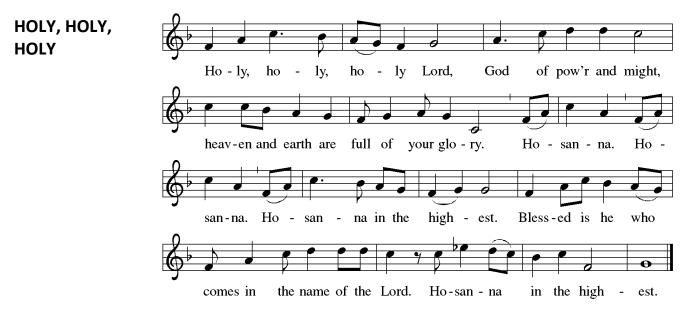
"Amazing Grace"

OFFERING PRAYER - All speak the prayer together.

Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that 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.



It is our duty and delight...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, you alone are holy, you alone are God. The universe declares your praise: beyond the stars; beneath the sea; within each cell; with every breath. **We praise you, O God.**

Generations bless your faithfulness: through the water; by night and day; across the wilderness; out of exile; into the future. **We bless you, O God.**

We give you thanks for your dear Son: at the heart of human life; near to those who suffer; beside the sinner; among the poor; with us now. We thank you, O God.

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 his love for us on the way, at the table, and to the end, we proclaim the mystery of faith: **Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

We pray for the gift of your Spirit: in our gathering; within this meal; among your people; throughout the world. Blessing, praise, and thanks to you, holy God, through Christ Jesus, by your Spirit, in your church, without end. **Amen.**

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us...

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,

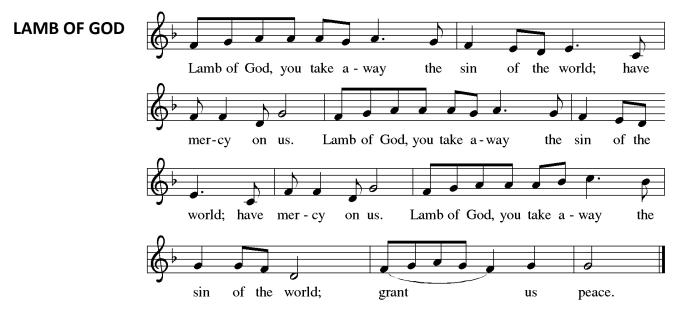
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

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.



COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION

All are invited into a time of reflection before they receive communion. During this time, you may prepare your hearts to receive the sacrament. Once ready, you may commune yourself and those around you with the bread and wine/grape juice. A representative from each

household may say the following—bread: **"The body of Christ given for you."** Wine/grape juice: **"The blood of Christ shed for you."**

POST COMMUNION BLESSING

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

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION - All speak the prayer together.

We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

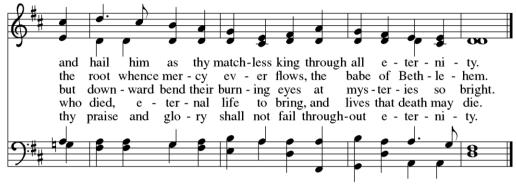
The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and ⊣ give you peace. **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855





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

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude

"Ye Watchers and Ye Holy Ones"

Matthew McConnell

Altar flowers are given to the Glory of God.

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Calendar This Week		
Every Sunday	10:00 AM	Virtual & In-Person Worship Service
Sun 11/20/22	After Service	Adult Forum in the Chapel
Thurs 11/24/22	All Day	Happy Thanksgiving!!!
Sat 11/26/22	9:30 AM	Food Shelf Open
Sun 11/27/22	After Service	Adult Forum in the Chapel

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

This year we are challenging the congregation and friends to participate in our **Chapter a Day Bible Challenge**. The gospel will be spread throughout the year. We encourage you to get together with a small group to talk about what you've read for the week. Share your progress and get others involved! Check out the separate links for an Introduction page and an informational page about the books we are reading. Share the link with family and friends!! Also be sure to watch Pastor Zach's videos on Facebook each week with details about the reading for the week. This week we are finishing the book of John, and will start 1 John on the 23rd.

Pastor Zach has office hours on Wednesday mornings from 11 am - 1 pm, Thursdays & Fridays from 9:30 am - 1:30 pm. Come by & speak with him about any pastoral issues or just to say Hi!

In November, the weekly **Bible Study classes will be reviewing the book of Romans**. Come join us Wednesdays, either in-person in the Christ Chapel at 10 AM, or via Zoom at 7 PM. **Adult Forum** meets in the Christ Chapel after worship service. Remember when you studied baptism and Holy Communion in confirmation class? Join Pr. Zach in a refresher on our

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Lutheran understanding of the two sacraments of baptism. This event will also be available via Zoom. Please note there are **no Bible study classes this week on the 23**rd.

Assistant to the Bishop for Senior Adult Ministries, Deacon Dr. Cecelia Travick Jackson to join us for worship and conversation on November 27th.

Join us as we discuss our growing need for senior care ministries. Deacon Dr. Cecelia Travick Jackson will give a temple talk during our 10 AM worship and then join us for a forum discussion in the sanctuary following worship.

Deacon Dr. Cecelia Travick Jackson is Assistant to the Bishop for Senior Adult Ministries. Dr. Travick Jackson was ordained as a Minister of Word



and Service in December 2021 and is serving Mt. Cross in Camarillo. Before being ordained, Dr. Travick Jackson was an Associate Professor of Education at California Lutheran University. She has travelled extensively throughout the world and lived from coast to coast in the US.

Dr. Travick Jackson came to love and nurture seniors as a young child and this passion for visitation and care continued throughout her life. She was the primary caregiver for her mother as she lived with blindness and amputation and later for her husband.

You are invited (and encouraged) to participate in this year's 4 week Advent Bible Study. <u>Light of the World</u> by AJ Levine explores the biblical texts surrounding the story of the birth of Jesus. This study traces the Christmas narrative through the stories of Zechariah and Elizabeth, Mary, the journey to Bethlehem and the visit from the Magi. Please consider committing to a Bible Study for Advent. It is a great time to study the Word of God with others. Please invite a friend. All are welcome!! To sign up please use this Google Form: <u>https://bit.ly/3zGumiN</u> There are two opportunities for you to participate:

1. Via ZOOM on <u>Thursdays @ 11am (CA time) & 1pm (MN) time</u>. This class will be co-led by Pastor Barsch (Zion, MN) and Pastor Amie (Salem, CA). Dates: 11/17, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15

2. Via ZOOM on <u>Thursday evenings @7pm (CA time)</u>. This class will be led by Pastor Amie. Dates: 11/17, 12/1, 12/8, 12/15

**All ZOOM classes will meet @ 818-243-3193 (Meeting ID and Passcode are the same)

Also, it is highly recommended to buy the book. You can purchase it here: <u>https://amzn.to/3FJp8GW</u>

Join us for Wednesday Midweek Advent Worship

Our Wednesday midweek Advent worship returns on November 30th, 2022 at 7 PM in the sanctuary. The liturgy will be Holden Evening Prayer. The theme for this year's midweek Advent worship is The Gifts of Advent. We often spend the holiday season running around from store to store or clicking from one website to another looking for the perfect gift for our family members and friends. Yet the season of Advent itself is a gift. It is an intentional period of time that gifts us with preparing for the coming of Christ. Each week we will explore the

different gifts this season has to offer—patience, speech and silence, hope, and family. This service will also be available on Zoom and FB Live.

Advent Dinner details coming soon! We are still in the planning stages for this year's Advent Dinner. For now pencil us in for Sunday, December 11th for Advent fellowship!

Join us this Sunday at 10 AM for our Virtual Worship via Zoom! Check in a few minutes early and hear the prelude! You may also join us on Facebook Live. We look forward to seeing your faces and worshiping together!

Join Zoom Meeting https://zoom.us/j/95007590439?pwd=M2NmMUZCZzhMOUY0SG8xeHpxcU5RUT09 Meeting ID: 950 0759 0439 Passcode: worship

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We ask that you follow these guidelines to ensure safety for everyone.

- 1. We ask that everyone wear a mask while in the sanctuary, including during worshiping and singing.
- 2. We will enter the church through the glass doors on Hill Avenue.
- 3. Pick up a communion set at the table and then proceed into the sanctuary. There will be 3 options for communion: bread and wine, bread and juice, and gluten-free bread and wine. Only take one set for yourself. Wait for communion instructions before opening the packet.

If you have any questions, please see one of our happy volunteers on the front patio, in the narthex, or in the sanctuary.

The service will still be available on Zoom and Facebook Live for those who prefer to remain at home. If you have questions, please let our church office know. We look forward to actually seeing you at church this Sunday!