

# Christ the King Sunday

November 24, 2024

## Virtual Bulletin with Holy Communion, Setting IV

Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran Church

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### Order of the Liturgy

Prelude

*"In Christ Alone"*

arr. Carol Tornquist

### CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

In the Name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

**we confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**



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## OPENING HYMN

## Jesus Shall Reign

ELW 434

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners  
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 thron - g to crown his head; his name like sweet per -  
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with

shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.  
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

## 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.**

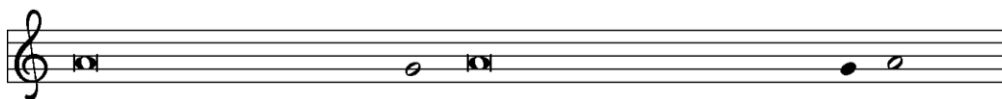
## KYRIE

(Lord Have  
 Mercy)

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer - cy.**

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

**Lord, have mer - cy.**



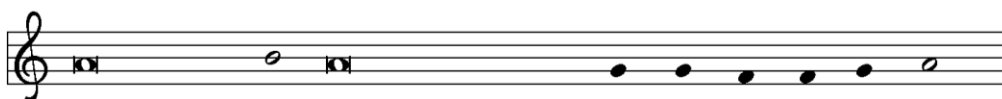
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## CANTICLE OF PRAISE



Assisting minister

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,



### 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, 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.

And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

<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.

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

**PSALM: Psalm 93** *The congregation responds with the bold verses.*

<sup>1</sup> The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and <sup>1</sup> armed with strength.  
The LORD has made the world so sure that it can- <sup>1</sup> not be moved.

<sup>2</sup> **Ever since the world began, your throne has <sup>1</sup> been established;  
you are from <sup>1</sup> everlasting.**

<sup>3</sup> The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted <sup>1</sup> up their voice;  
the waters have lifted up their <sup>1</sup> pounding waves.

<sup>4</sup> **Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers <sup>1</sup> of the sea,  
mightier is the LORD who <sup>1</sup> dwells on high.**

<sup>5</sup> Your testimonies are <sup>1</sup> very sure,  
and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and for- <sup>1</sup> evermore.

**SECOND READING: 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 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 all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. 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.**

**GOSPEL  
ACCLAMATION**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

**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 does not belong to this world. If my kingdom belonged to 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 our Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

Pastor Garry Mohr

**HYMN OF THE DAY****Rejoice, the Lord Is King!**

1 Re - joice, the Lord is king! Your Lord and king a - dore;  
2 Our Sav - ior Je - sus reigns, the God of truth and love;  
3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heav'n;  
4 He sits at God's right hand till all his foes sub - mit

re - jice, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more:  
 when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove:  
 the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus giv'n:  
 and bow to his com - mand and fall be - neath his feet:

*Refrain*

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; re -

jice, a - gain I say, re - jice!

Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt.  
 Music: LAUS REGIS, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

## 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 "Lord, in your mercy." The assembly responds with "hear our prayer."*

**SHARING OF THE PEACE** - *The presiding minister & the assembly share a virtual sign of peace.*

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

**OFFERING****OFFERTORY***"Trust in the Lord"*

- Jean Berger

**OFFERING PRAYER** - *All speak the prayer together.*

**Almighty and eternal God, so draw our hearts to you, so guide our minds, so fill our imaginations, so control our wills, that we may be wholly yours, utterly dedicated unto you; and then use us, we pray you, as you will, and always to your glory and the welfare of your people; through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Amen.**

**GREAT THANKSGIVING**

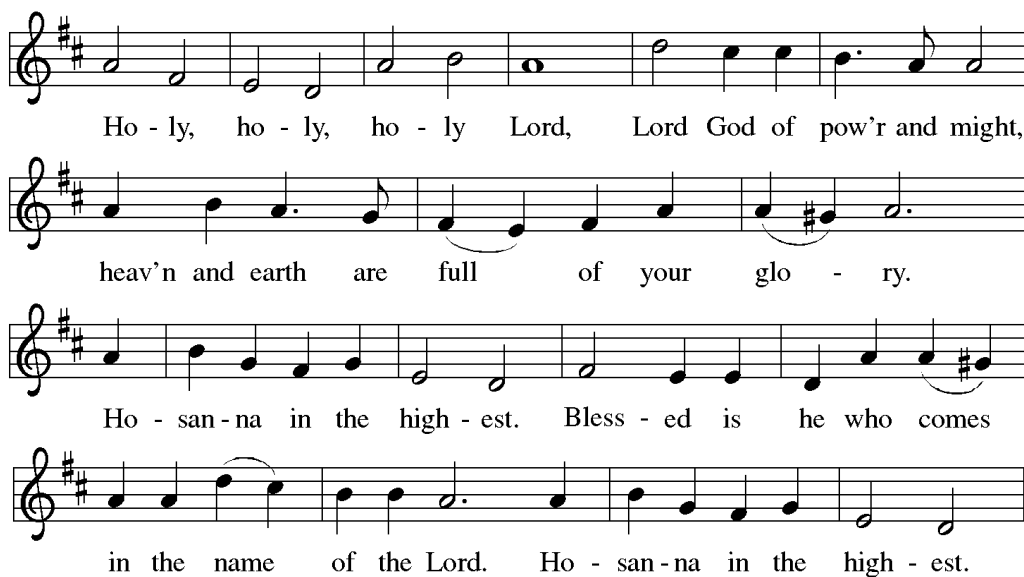
The Lord be with you.

**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.**

It is indeed right...we praise your name and join their unending hymn.

**HOLY, HOLY,  
HOLY**


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.

**HOLY COMMUNION****WORDS OF INSTITUTION****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.

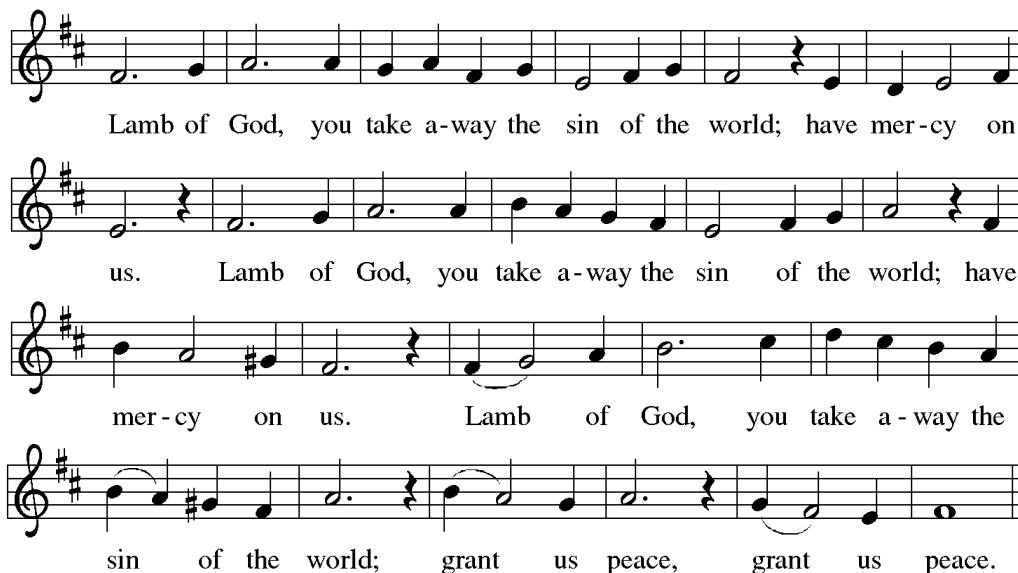
Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptations but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

**INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**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.

**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.**”*

**COMMUNION HYMN****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.*

**Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS****BLESSING**

May the Lord bless you, may the Lord keep you, the Lord make his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and grant you his peace. In the name of the Father, the  $\dagger$  Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**



## SENDING HYMN

## Crown Him with Many Crowns

ELW 855

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;  
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,  
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,  
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,

hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.  
 whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;  
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.  
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,  
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,  
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.  
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.  
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

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

*"There is a Redeemer"*

Keith & Melody Green

Bonnie Mohr, Harp & Hannah Lee, Piano

*Altar flowers are dedicated by Steve & Sue Rose in  
 Thanksgiving for all of God's blessings and 42 years of marriage.*

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Calendar This Week		
Every Sunday	10:00 AM	Virtual & In-Person Worship Service
Wed 11/27/24	10:00 AM	Bible Study in the Chapel
Wed 11/27/24	1:00 PM	Diane Langill—memorial service Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills
Wed 11/27/24	7:00 PM	Virtual & In-Person Thanksgiving Eve Worship Service
Sat 11/30/24	9:30 AM	Food Shelf Open

**ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Our long-time member **Diane Langill joined the Church Triumphant on 10/24/24**. Please pray for Natalie and Mark, and the rest of the family as they deal with Diane's passing. Graveside services will be held on Wednesday, November 27th at 1 PM at Forest Lawn, Hollywood Hills.

**Bob Menzies is now in the care of our Lord.** He passed away peacefully on 11/3/24, after many rough days and nights. Thank you all for your prayers and support of the Menzies' family. He will be dearly missed by many.

**Plan on joining us Thanksgiving Eve for a worship service at 7pm, either in person or online!** We will use the Holden Evening Prayer for this service.

**We will be putting up the Christmas Tree on Friday, November 29th.** We'd love to have you join us to help decorate!

**Advent Dinner—Sunday, December 8th at 6 pm**

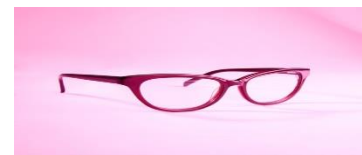
We hope you will plan to join us for this year's Advent Dinner on Sunday, December 8th at 6pm in the gym. We will have a catered dinner, with a ticket price of \$15 for Adults and \$5 for kids. Be sure to let Fred or Anita know how many tickets you need! There will be entertainment by the Chubbies and carols to sing! Please bring your favorite dessert to share! If you can be here to help setup on the Saturday the 7th at 9 am it would be greatly appreciated!! Or help clean-up after the event if you can, that would be very helpful!

**The Hill Avenue Grace Food Shelf needs volunteers!** We're looking for new, friendly faces to help distribute food on Saturday mornings from 9:30 – 11:30 AM. You can help out as often or as little as you want. If you're open to hearing more, please contact Tobe Poehlmann at [foodshelf@hillavenuegrace.org](mailto:foodshelf@hillavenuegrace.org).

**LIONS RECYCLE FOR SIGHT PROGRAM**

Since 2019 Hill Avenue members have donated over 100 used prescription eyeglasses, sunglasses, and eyeglass cases to THE LIONS CLUB of PASADENA.

Lions have recognized the urgent need for corrective lenses and collect usable glasses in their communities to support the Lions Recycle for Sight Program. The used eyeglasses are cleaned and classified by prescription and distributed to children and adults in developing nations. You may donate used prescription or nonprescription glasses or sunglasses. Both plastic and metal frames are accepted.



There is an “EYEGASSES DEPOSIT HERE” Basket on the shelf of the Leroy Stone Annex in the Narthex: Please fill it up with the old glasses you are holding on to and once the basket is filled, they will be dropped off at Pasadena’s Lion Club. The basket will remain to be filled Again and Again!



**Join us this Sunday at 10 AM for our Virtual Worship via Zoom! Check in a few minutes early and hear the prelude! We look forward to seeing your faces and worshipping together!**

#### **Join Zoom Meeting**

**<https://zoom.us/j/95007590439?pwd=M2NmMUZCZzhMOUY0SG8xeHpzcU5RUT09>**

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**Passcode: worship**

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### ALTAR GUILD ANNOUNCEMENT

It is time to begin thinking about decorating our sanctuary for Christmas!

If you wish to purchase a poinsettia plant, please complete the following form and place it **AND your check** (made payable to Hill Avenue Grace Lutheran) in an envelope.

You can mail it to the church office or place it in the offering plate.

Please earmark all checks for **POINSETTIAS**. The cost per plant this year will be \$16.50.

Please complete the following form and turn it in by **SUNDAY, December 22nd.**  
**That is the absolute deadline. Thank you!**

I am donating \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the following:

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