



# TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

*Marked with the cross of Christ we are called to love, serve,  
and celebrate Christ, our community, and one another.*

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## **Christ the King** ***The Kingdom's NOTW***

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**9:30 a.m.**



Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

### **Welcome to Worship!**

We're so glad you've joined us today.  
We hope you are blessed by today's service.

**GATHERING + WORD + MEAL + SENDING**

**WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**GATHERING SONG**

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

ELW #855 (verses 1, 2, 4)

*Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;  
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.*

*Crown him the virgin's Son, the God incarnate born,  
whose arm those crimson trophies won  
which now his brow adorn;  
fruit of the mystic rose, yet of that rose the stem,  
the root whence mercy ever flows, the babe of Bethlehem.*

*Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave  
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,  
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.*

**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.**

**CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS**

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.**

#### **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

Let us pray together.

**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.**

GATHERING + **WORD** + MEAL + SENDING

#### **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.

*Holy wisdom. Holy Word.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**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 to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and do-  
minion 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.

*Holy wisdom. Holy Word.*

**Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

"Alleluia"

*Please stand.*

CCLI #16811

***Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia  
Alleluia alleluia***

**GOSPEL**

John 18:33-37

*The holy gospel according to John.***Glory to you, O Lord.**

<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, Lord Christ.****TIME WITH THE CHILDREN OF GOD****SERMON***The Kingdom's NOTW*

Rev. Ken Anderson

**HYMN OF THE DAY***Please stand.*

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

ELW #408

***Come, thou almighty King,  
help us thy name to sing; help us to praise;  
Father all-glorious, o'er all victorious,  
come and reign over us, Ancient of Days.***

***Come, thou incarnate Word,  
merciful, mighty Lord; our prayer attend.  
Come and thy people bless, and give thy word success,  
and let thy righteousness on us descend.***

***Come, holy Comforter,  
thy sacred witness bear in this glad hour!  
Thou who almighty art, rule now in ev'ry heart,  
never from us depart, Spirit of pow'r.***

***To thee, great One in Three,  
eternal praises be hence evermore!  
Thy sov'reign majesty may we in glory see,  
and to eternity love and adore.***

## **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 THE PEOPLE**

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

*A brief silence.*

Revive our congregations, synods, and national church body to reflect the love, justice, and kinship of your kingdom. Raise up diverse leaders (like Justus Falckner, Jehu Jones, and William Passavant, whom we commemorate today) who teach and serve your people. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Nourish parched lands and bring relief to flooded places. Protect wildlife habitats and endangered species, that the chorus of creation's praise resounds with joy. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Grant wisdom to the leaders who govern, legislate, and deliberate on our behalf (local officials may be named). Advance your nonviolent reign of justice-seeking love through their work. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Draw near to those who are detained, on trial, or incarcerated. Transform systems of retribution into systems of reconciliation and restoration. Empower activists who advocate for change. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

Remind us of your enduring love in all seasons. Guide the planning efforts of worship leaders and volunteers who usher our congregation into a meaningful Advent (worship ministries may be named). Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

In your eternal presence the saints (recently deceased members of the congregation may be named) sing of your majesty. Join our voices with theirs in praise to the one who loves us and frees us from sin. Merciful God,  
**receive our prayer.**

*Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior.

**Amen.**

**A TIME FOR SHARING THE PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

**And also with you.**

GATHERING + WORD + **MEAL** + SENDING

**THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS**

Kayley Danser

**THE OFFERING OF OUR LIVES**

“Create In Me a Clean Heart”

ELW #185

*Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.  
Cast me not away from our presence,  
and take not your Holy Spirit from me.  
Restore to me the joy of your salvation,  
and uphold me with your free Spirit.  
Create in me a clean heart, O God,  
and renew a right spirit within me.*

**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 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 and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through the great shepherd of your flock, Christ our Lord; who after his resurrection sent forth his apostles to preach the Gospel and teach all nations, and promised to be with them always, even to the end of the age. And so, and with all the company of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

“Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty!”

ELW #413 (verses 1 & 2)

***Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty!  
Early in the morning our song shall rise to thee.  
Holy, holy, holy, merciful and mighty!  
God in three persons, blessed Trinity!***

***Holy, holy, holy! All the saints adore thee,  
casting down their golden crowns around the glassy sea;  
cherubim and seraphim falling down before thee,  
which wert and art, and evermore shalt be.***

#### **THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE**

Holy God, our Maker, Redeemer, and Healer, in the harmonious world of your creation, the plants and animals, the seas and stars were whole and well in your praise.

When sin had scarred the world, you sent your Son to heal our ills and to form us again into one.

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 acts of healing, his body given up, and his victory over death, we await that day when all the peoples of the earth will come to the river to enjoy the tree of life.

Send your Spirit upon us and this meal: as grains scattered on the hillside become one bread, so let your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth, that all may be fed with the Bread of life, 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.**



## **THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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

**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.

## **THE COMMUNION MEAL**

*(Please come forward at the direction of the ushers. Please note that Gluten-free wafers are also available — just ask the assistant at the time you commune.)*

### **A note to those visiting with us:**

*All are welcome at the Lord's table. In this meal Jesus offers his grace, forgiveness, and presence to all. To learn more about the gifts of God's grace given in Baptism and Holy Communion, please speak with the pastor after worship.*

## **COMMUNION HYMN**

"Mighty To Save"

CCLI #4591782

***Everyone needs compassion, love that's never failing.***

***Let mercy fall on me.***

***Everyone needs forgiveness, the kindness of a Saviour.***

***The hope of nations.***

*Saviour, He can move the mountains.*

*My God is mighty to save. He is mighty to save.*

*Forever, author of salvation. He rose and conquered the grave.*

*Jesus conquered the grave.*

***So take me as You find me, all my fears and failures.***

***Fill my life again.***

***I give my life to follow, everything I believe in.***

***Now I surrender.*** Chorus

(Bridge)

*Shine your light and let the whole world see.*

*We're singing for the glory of the risen King: Jesus.*

*Shine your light and let the whole world see.*

*We're singing for the glory of the risen King.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

*Let us pray together:*

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.**

GATHERING + WORD + MEAL + **SENDING**

## BENEDICTION

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

A musical score for the word 'Amen'. It is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). The score consists of two staves: a treble clef staff and a bass clef staff. The lyrics 'A - men, a - men, a - - - men.' are written below the treble staff. The music features a simple harmonic accompaniment with chords in the right hand and single notes or dyads in the left hand. The final 'amen' is held over for a longer duration, indicated by a long horizontal line under the notes.

## **SENDING HYMN**

“Soon and Very Soon”

*Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.  
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.  
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!*

*No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!*

*No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!*

*Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.  
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.  
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.  
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!*

## **DISMISSAL**

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

**Thanks be to God.**