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November 26, 2023, Christ the King Sunday

10:15am Service of Word and Sacrament and Healing Prayer

**Prelude** "Sing Praise to God Who Reigns Above" – arr. Hal Hopson

## **Welcome & Announcements**

### **Invocation**

P In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### **Confession and Forgiveness**

P 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 Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

P 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.

*Silence is kept for personal confession.*

P Most merciful God,

**C 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 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.**

P 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.

**C Amen.**

**Gathering Hymn**

**Crown Him With Many Crowns**

Red 431 (vv. 1, 2, 5)

Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark! how the heavenly 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 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.

Crown him the Lord of years, The Potentate of time,  
Creator of the rolling spheres, Ineffably sublime.

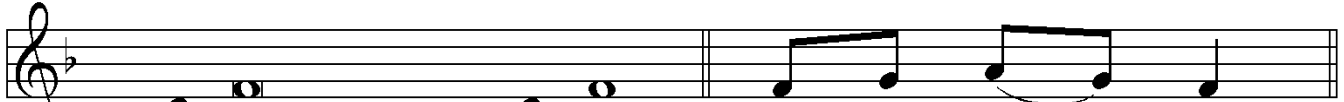
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;  
Thy praise and glory shall not fail Throughout eternity.

**Greeting**

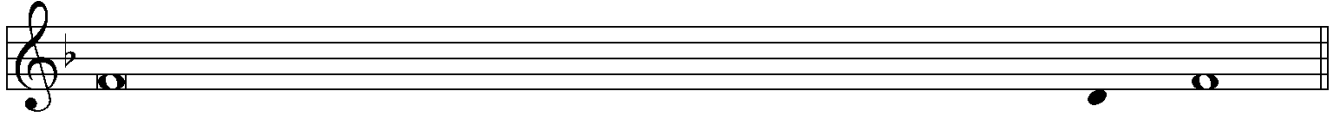
**P** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

**C** And also with you.

# Kyrie



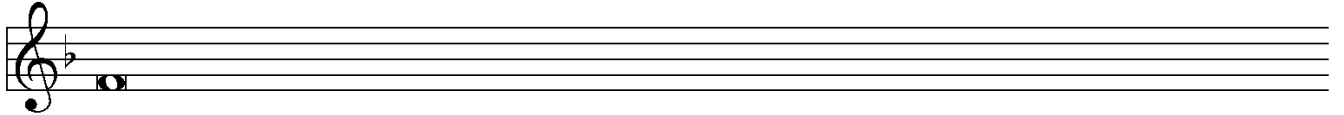
**A** In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **C** Lord, have mer - cy.



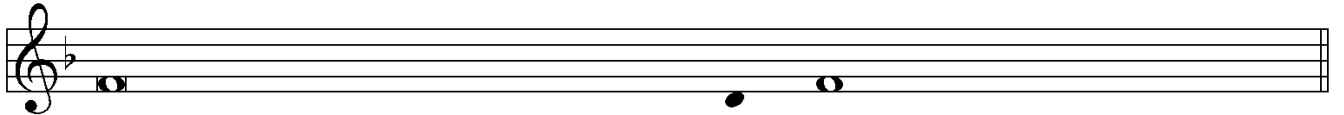
**A** For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



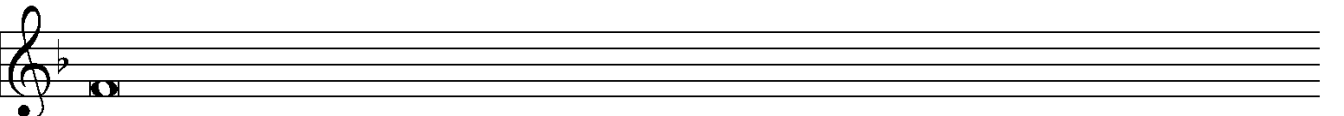
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



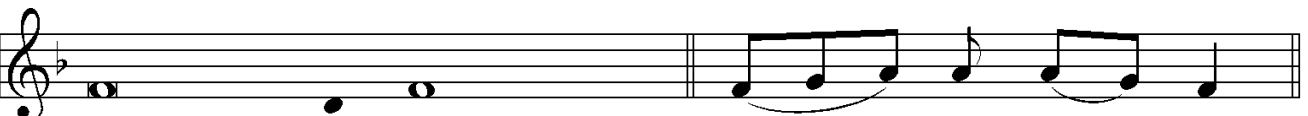
and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**C** Lord. have mer - cy.



**A** For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise,

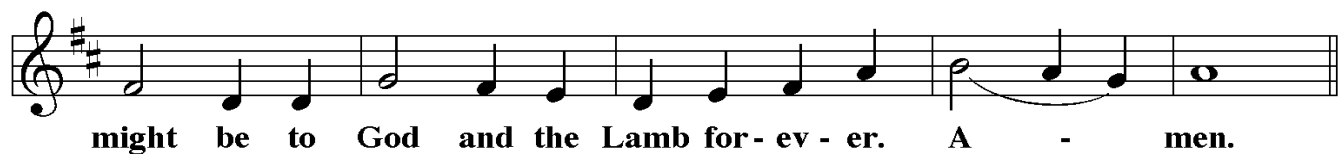


let us pray to the Lord.

**C** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gra-cious Lord. **C** A - men



**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le-lu-ia,  
 al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia. **II** For the Lamb who was  
 slain has be-gun his reign. Al-le-lu-ia.  
**C** This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God.  
 Al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia, al-le-lu-ia.

### Prayer of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray: Heavenly Father, our lives are filled with the abundance of your grace and mercy. We thank you for the good things of your creation that fill our lives. May our gratitude be so abundant that it flows into radical generosity that reflects your boundless love for all; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

**C** Amen.

### First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

<sup>11</sup>“For thus says the LORD God: Behold, I, I myself will search for my sheep and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As a shepherd seeks out his flock when he is among his sheep that have been scattered, so will I seek out my sheep, and I will rescue them from all places where they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>And I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land. And I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the ravines, and in all the inhabited places of the country. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and on the mountain heights of Israel shall be their grazing land. There they shall lie down in good grazing land, and on rich pasture they shall feed on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I myself will make them lie down, declares the LORD God. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will

bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, and the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them in justice.

<sup>20</sup>“Therefore, thus says the LORD God to them: Behold, I, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you push with side and shoulder, and thrust at all the weak with your horns, till you have scattered them abroad, <sup>22</sup>I will rescue my flock; they shall no longer be a prey. And I will judge between sheep and sheep. <sup>23</sup>And I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them. I am the LORD; I have spoken.”

### **Psalm 95:1-7a**

<sup>1</sup>Oh come, let us sing to the LORD;

let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!

<sup>2</sup>**Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;**

**let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!**

<sup>3</sup>For the LORD is a great God,

and a great King above all gods.

<sup>4</sup>**In his hand are the depths of the earth;**

**the heights of the mountains are his also.**

<sup>5</sup>The sea is his, for he made it,

and his hands formed the dry land.

<sup>6</sup>**Oh come, let us worship and bow down;**

**let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker!**

<sup>7</sup>For he is our God,

and we are the people of his pasture,

and the sheep of his hand.

### **Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:20-28**

<sup>20</sup>But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

<sup>21</sup>For as by a man came death, by a man has come also the resurrection of the dead. <sup>22</sup>For as in

Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive. <sup>23</sup>But each in his own order: Christ the

firstfruits, then at his coming those who belong to Christ. <sup>24</sup>Then comes the end, when he

delivers the kingdom to God the Father after destroying every rule and every authority and

power. <sup>25</sup>For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup>The last enemy to

be destroyed is death. <sup>27</sup>For “God has put all things in subjection under his feet.” But when it

says, “all things are put in subjection,” it is plain that he is excepted who put all things in

subjection under him. <sup>28</sup>When all things are subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be

subjected to him who put all things in subjection under him, that God may be all in all.

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

**Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46**

<sup>31</sup>{Jesus said to the disciples,} “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup>Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup>And he will place the sheep on his right, but the goats on the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world. <sup>35</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.’ <sup>37</sup>Then the righteous will answer him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? <sup>38</sup>And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? <sup>39</sup>And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?’ <sup>40</sup>And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’ <sup>41</sup>“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup>For I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ <sup>44</sup>Then they also will answer, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?’ <sup>45</sup>Then he will answer them, saying, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ <sup>46</sup>And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

P The Gospel of the Lord.

**C Praise to You, O Christ.**

**Doxology**

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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise Him, all creatures here below;  
Praise Him, above ye heav'nly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

**Children's Sermon**

**Sermon**





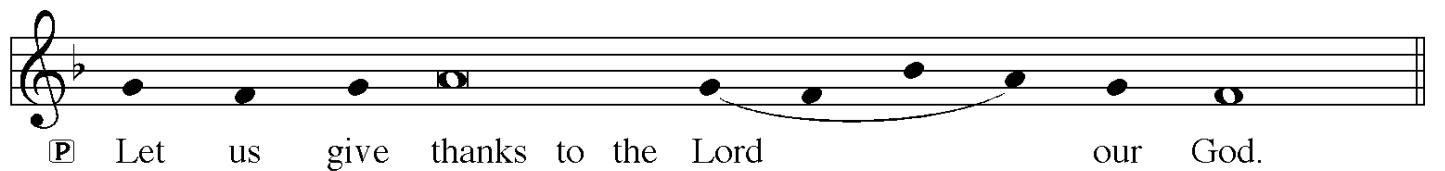
## The Great Thanksgiving



**P** The Lord be with you. **C** And al - so 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 him thanks and praise.

**P** It is indeed right and salutary...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might:



Heav- en and earth are full of your glo- ry. Ho - san - na. Ho - san - na.



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 Eucharistic Prayer**

P Blessed are you,  
Lord of Heaven and earth.  
In your mercy for our fallen world  
you gave your only Son,  
that all those who believe in him  
should not perish,  
but have eternal life.

We give thanks to you  
for the salvation  
you have prepared  
for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit  
into our hearts,  
that we may receive our Lord  
with a living faith  
as he comes to us  
in his holy supper.

### **C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus**

P In the night  
in which he was betrayed  
our Lord Jesus took bread,  
and gave thanks to it; broke it,  
and gave it to his disciples,  
saying: Take and eat;  
this is my body, given for you.

Do this in 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 which is shed for you  
for the forgiveness of sins.

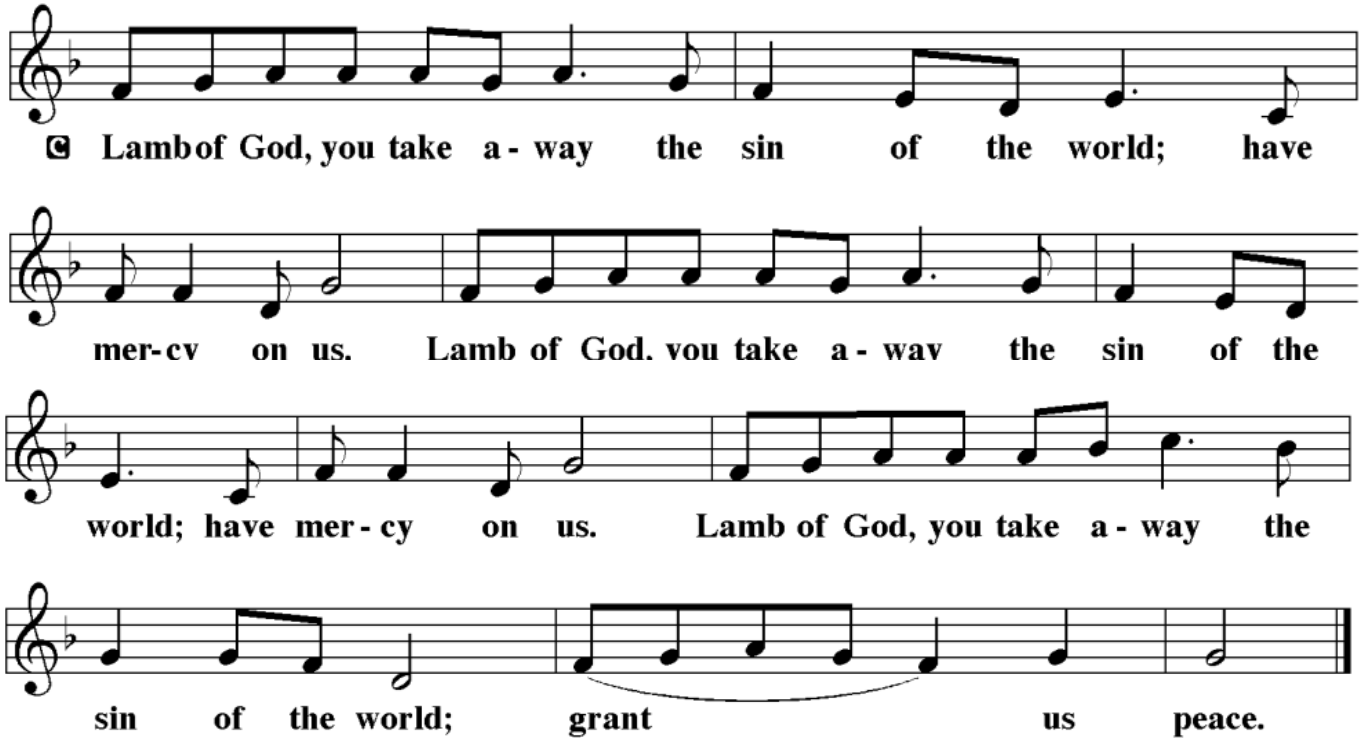
Do this in remembrance of me.

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:

**C Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

P This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world. Blessed are they who are called to his supper.



☞ 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.

### The Communion

*All baptized persons who believe in the Real Presence of Christ in, with, and under the bread and wine are welcome to the Table of the Lord. All who would desire healing prayer are welcome to receive it.*

*For those communing in-person, take a clear communion cup to receive wine from the assisting minister or a purple communion cup to receive grape juice.*

*Communion is offered at the altar rail on the pulpit side. Healing prayer with anointing is offered at the altar rail on the lectern side.*

*For those continuing to fast from the sacrament, you are invited to pray the following prayer, The Spiritual Communion:*

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Blessed Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You in my soul.  
Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually in my heart.

I embrace You as if you were already there,

and I unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You.

*(Saint Alphonsus Liguori)*

### **Post Communion Blessing**

P The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

**C Amen.**

### **Post Communion Sung Response:**

“Oh for a Thousand Tongues to Sing”

Red 428 (tune 2, vv 1 & 4)

O for a thousand tongues to sing My dear Redeemer’s praise,  
The glories of my God and King, The triumphs of his grace!

He breaks the power of cancelled sin, He sets the prisoner free;  
His Blood can make the foulest clean, His Blood availed for me.

### **Post Communion Prayer**

P Let us pray: Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

### **Benediction**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

In the Name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C Amen.**

### **Sending Hymn**

Lead On, O King Eternal

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Lead on, O King Eternal, The day of march has come;  
Hence forth in fields of conquest Your tents shall be our home.  
Through days of preparation Your grace has made us strong,  
And now, O King Eternal, We lift our battle song.

Lead on, O King Eternal, Till sin’s fierce war shall cease,  
And holiness shall whisper The sweet Amen of peace;

For not with swords loud clashing, Nor roll of stirring drums,  
With deeds of love and mercy The heav'nly kingdom comes.

Lead on, O King Eternal, We follow, not with fears;  
For gladness breaks like morning Where'er Your face appears;  
Your cross is lifted o'er us; We journey in its light:  
The crown awaits the conquest; Lead on, O God of might. Amen.

### **Dismissal**

**P** Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*A time of fellowship with those attending online directly follows the worship service.*

*Sharing the Peace of Christ with one another following worship is encouraged.*

*Offerings may be placed in the designated boxes at the bottom of each staircase in the main entry way.*

### **Serving in Worship Today:**

***Presiding Worship Leader & Lector:***

***Pastor Karin Pejack***

***Minister of Technology:***

***Catherine Germann***

***AV on Site:***

***Bob Haas, Jeff Springer, John Cooper***

***Minister of Music:***

***Norma Swain***

***Lector:***

***Todd Pejack***

***Cantor & Responsive Reader:***

***Ricky Perrine***

***Assisting Ministers:***

***Mike & Judy Reynolds, Judy Atticks***

### **Next Week's Readings:**

Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37