

Christ the King November 24, 2024 | 10:30 a.m.

Evangelical Lutheran Worship, Setting 1



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Worship | Grow | Go

Welcome to worship on Christ the King Sunday! On this last Sunday in the church year, we learn that our story is not so different from the ancient people of faith in the Bible. As in their day, so in ours. We long for a leader who agrees with our priorities and battles to make them happen. Yet Jesus claims a different kingship—one of sacrificial love so deep that it refuses to lift a hand in violence against the people who betray, deny, desert, and destroy him. The church's New Year's Eve celebrates Jesus' kingship that meets us in our darkest least-lovable places, loves us anyway, and offers new life over the power of darkness.

10:30 a.m. worship is livestreamed weekly especially to include our home-centered members who cannot join us in person. Celebrating our public worship, we also protect our kids in real time on livestream by redirecting the cameras to other views during children's time and communion.

Sign the worship slip and place it in the offering plate so that hospitality, prayer, and pastoral care may be kept up to date.

Prelude • "Joyful Noise" -Bill Ingram Chancel Handbells

Welcome

GATHERING *

Week after week, God calls us together to hear God's word and receive Christ's meal—to then be sent back into the world. We gather not on the Sabbath day, but on the day after; Sunday is the day of Resurrection.

Confession and Forgiveness

The assembly stands.

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism, as we begin.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ♥ one God, whose grace flows freely, and whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin and come to God in hope.

Silence is kept for reflection. The people may kneel.

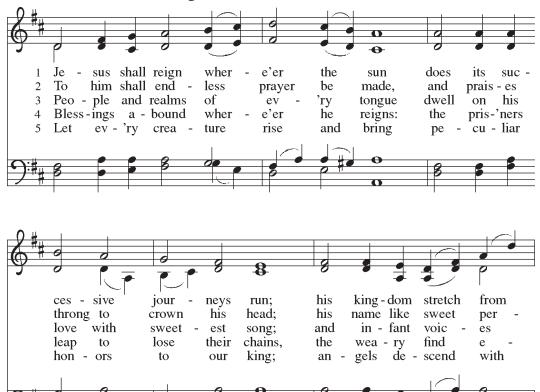
Gracious God, draw us to your heart and reveal your steadfast love to us. We confess that we have honored you with our lips, but have harmed our neighbors with our tongues, causing conflicts and disputes. We neglect the needs of our fellow humans and we wound your good creation. In your abundant mercy, forgive our sins, and turn us to follow the way of Jesus. Amen.

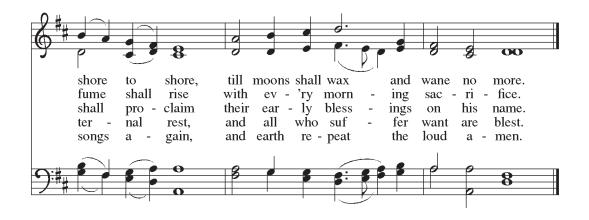
God promises to forgive us and to take away our sin. In the name of ♥ Jesus Christ, the source of unconditional grace, your sins are forgiven. **Amen.**

For the Gathering Hymn, please turn toward the back of the sanctuary as the processional cross enters, and turn toward the front of the sanctuary as the cross passes you.

Gathering Hymn • ELW 434: Jesus Shall Reign

DUKE STREET





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

Greeling

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.**

Canticle of Praise





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.

The assembly is seated.

Children's Time

WORD *

As Lutherans, we understand that the Word of God is proclaimed in scripture, sermon, song, and prayer, bringing God's Good News (Gospel) into our time and place to awaken and nourish faith.

First Reading • Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

A reading from Daniel.

⁹As 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.

¹⁰A 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.

¹³As 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.

¹⁴To 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

Antiphon: (sung by choir) Ever since the world began, your throne has been established.



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Bold verses are sung by all using the tone above.

¹The 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 can- | not be moved.

²Ever since the world began, your throne has | been established; you are from | everlasting. Antiphon

³The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted | up their voice; the waters have lifted up their | pounding waves.

⁴Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers | of the sea, mightier is the LORD who | dwells on high.

⁵Your testimonies are | very sure,

and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and for- | evermore. Antiphon

Second Reading • Revelation 1:4b-8

A reading from Revelation.

^{4b}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, ⁵ 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, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! 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.

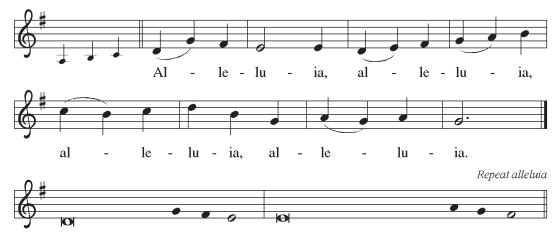
So it is to be. Amen.

 $^{8}\!\!\!^{\prime\prime}\!\!I$ 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

The assembly stands.



Cantor: Blessed is the one who comes in the name | of the Lord.*
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our an- | cestor David. (Mark 11:9)

The assembly sings the Alleluia again.

Gospel • John 18:33-38a

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

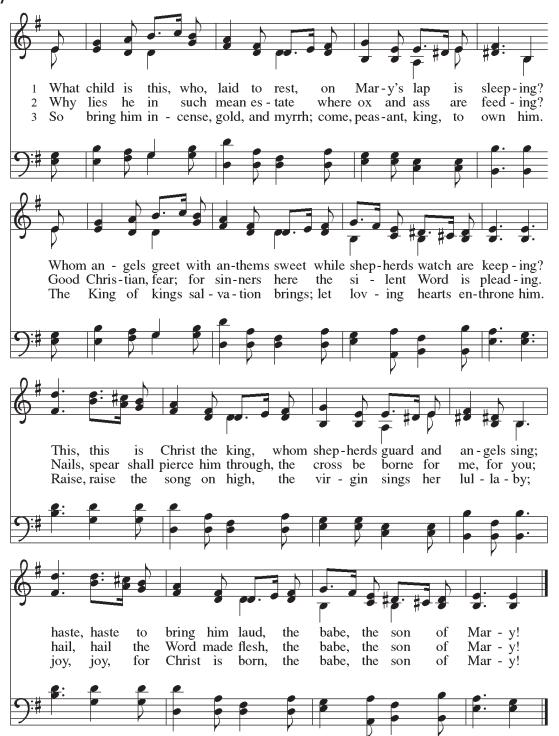
³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus 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." ³⁷Pilate 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." Pilate asked him, "What is truth?"

The gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

The assembly is seated.

Sermon • Pastor Caitlin Trussell

GREENSLEEVES



Text: William C. Dix, 1837–1898 Music: GREENSLEEVES, English ballad, 16th cent.

The assembly is seated.

Holy Baptism

Rejoice with **Scarlett Grace Jordan**, daughter of **Justin and Kathryn Jordan**, in her baptism. Welcome her into Christ's family today! Scarlett's sponsors are Scot Seabaugh, Paula Pace, John Jordan, and Joyce Jordan.

Presentation

In baptism our gracious heavenly Father frees us from sin and death by joining us to the death and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. We are born children of a fallen humanity; by water and the Holy Spirit we are reborn children of God and made members of the church, the body of Christ. Living with Christ and in the communion of saints, we grow in faith, love, and obedience to the will of God.

Promises are made by the parents, the sponsors, and the assembly.

Profession of Faith

The assembly stands.

I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church. Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God?

We renounce them.

Do you renounce the powers of this world that rebel against God?

We renounce them.

Do you renounce the ways of sin that draw you from God?

We renounce them.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

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.

Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

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.

Thanksgiving at the Font

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

We give you thanks . . . in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

The assembly is seated.

The candidate is baptized.

Let us pray.

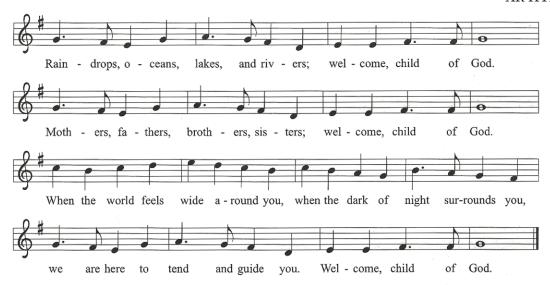
We give you thanks . . . joy in your presence, both now and forever. Amen.

Welcome

Let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven.

Please stand as we sing a word of welcome to the newly baptized.

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70th Anniversary of Dale Arden's Baptism

Prayers of Intercession

After each petition:

God of grace, hear our prayer.

Peace

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

You are invited to greet one another with these words: "Peace be with you."

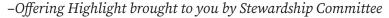
The assembly is seated.

* MEAL *

In the meal of bread and wine we are forgiven, sustained, and become what we receive: we are the body of Christ to be God's presence in the world for love, justice, and healing.

Offering

Christ our King, gifts of time, talent and treasure are not our own but blessings from your heavenly Kingdom.





"Ride On, King Jesus" –spiritual, arr. Alice Parker and Robert Shaw Chancel Choir

Ride on, King Jesus, no man can hinder me.

I was but young when I begun, no man can hinder me.

Ride on, King Jesus, no man can hinder me.

But now my race is almost done, no man can hinder me.

Ride on, King Jesus, no man can hinder me.

King Jesus rides on a milk-white horse, no man can hinder me,

The river of Jordan He did cross, no man can hinder me.

Ride on, King Jesus, no man can hinder me.

If you want to find your way to God, no man can hinder me,

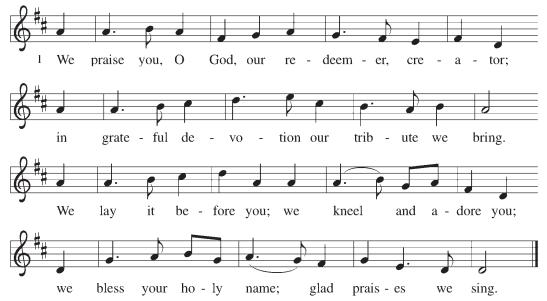
The gospel highway must by trod, no man can hinder me.

Ride on, King Jesus, no man can hinder me.

The assembly stands.

Offering Response • ELW 870: We Praise You, O God

KREMSER



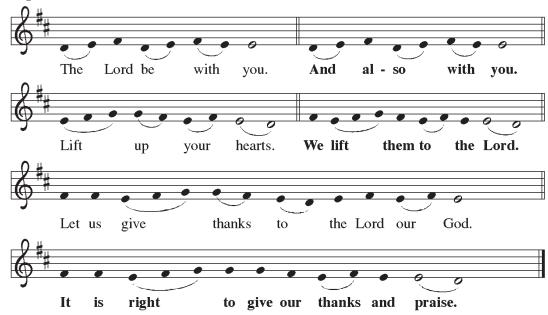
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Music: KREMSER, A. Valerius, Nederlandtsch Gedenckclanck, 1626

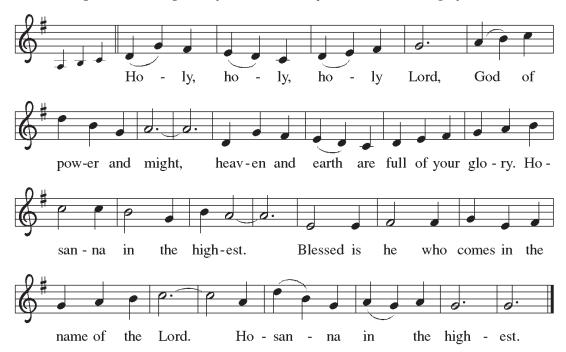
Offertory Prayer

Blessed are you, O God, source of every gift of your creation. By these gifts and with our lives, help us to serve one another and all people in need, through Jesus Christ, our hope and holy light. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise . . . we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Eucharistic Prayer

Compassionate God, author of the cosmos, heaven and earth reveal the wonder of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

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.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, from Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

Amen.

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 temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
and the power, and the glory,
forever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Communion

The gifts of God for the people of God. Thanks be to God.

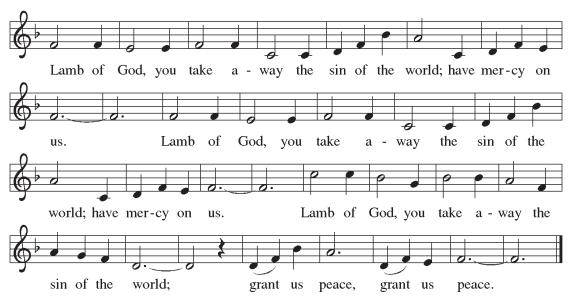
Holy Communion

The assembly is seated.

We trust that the love of Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of holy communion. All adults, and children of any age with parental permission, are welcome to commune—both those present in person and on livestream.

- The ushers will invite you into the center aisle to receive gluten-free bread from the server.
- Receive wine (darker color) or grape juice (lighter color) from the server, place the empty cup in the basket or empty tray, and return to your seat.
- If you desire a blessing rather than communion, please approach the servers with your arms crossed.
- If you are unable to come forward for communion, please inform an usher so that communion may be brought to you in the pew.

ELW 195: Lamb of God



Music: Bread of Life, Jeremy Young, b. 1948 Music © 1995 Augsburg Fortress.

Communion Anthem

"Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending" –John Rutter Augustana Vocal Ensemble

Lo! he comes with clouds descending, once for favored sinners slain; thousand, thousand saints attending swell the triumph of his train: Alleluia! God appears, on earth to reign.

Every eye shall now behold him robed in dreadful majesty; those who set at nought and sold him, pierced and nailed him to the tree, deeply wailing, shall the true Messiah see.

Yea, amen! let all adore thee, high on thine eternal throne; savior, take the power and glory: claim the kingdom for thine own: oh come quickly! Alleluia! Come, Lord, come.

-Charles Wesley and J. Cennick

Blessing after Communion

The assembly stands.

May the body and blood of Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

Holy Jesus, in this meal you have fed and nourished us to work in your beloved world. Send us now, filled with your grace and strengthened by your Spirit to live your love for others. **Amen.**

* SENDING *

The Church cannot be contained within these walls. Through word and meal, the living Christ encounters us in this place, and we are empowered for ministry. God sends us as bearers of hope into a struggling world.

Blessing

May the God who is love ★ be gracious to you, and fill you with hope. **Amen.**

During the Sending Hymn, please turn and face the processional cross as it leaves the sanctuary, facing the back of the sanctuary for the dismissal.



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, stanzas; George D. Elderkin, 1845–1928, refrain Music: WE'LL WALK IN THE LIGHT, Traditional; arr. George D. Elderkin

Dismissal Go in peace, sent on the way of Jesus. Thanks be to God.

Postlude • "Trumpet Voluntary in D Major" - John Travers

You are welcome to sit by the organ console during the postlude.



Welcome!

- How good to have you here! Thanks for signing the worship registration slip and placing it in the offering plate.
- Large-print copies of the service bulletin are available from Augustana's ushers.
- Hearing assistance headphones are available for worship in the sanctuary.
 Ask an usher for an easy-to-use device for enhanced listening during 10:30 a.m. worship.
- You are welcome to have your water bottles with you during worship.
- Activity bags for children are available just outside of Christ Chapel. On the south side of the Sanctuary, children are welcome to borrow items from the Worship & Wiggle shelf. Please return the items after worship. Childcare is available in the nursery, 9 a.m.-noon, for newborns through children age 5, and the Cozy Corner is available to parents at the west sanctuary entrance. Changing tables are available in the men's bathroom and in the family bathroom on this floor.
- Faith Formation for all children and youth is available Sundays, 9:30–10:15 a.m., in the education building. Adult Forum is offered 9:15–10:15 a.m.
- Secure online gifts may be made through the Giving page at Augustana's website (augustanadenver.org). You can also text message your offering to 303-653-9592.
- Restrooms and water stations are located downstairs beneath the west entrance; handicapped accessible restrooms are on the east side of the sanctuary in the hallway behind the chancel.
- An elevator is available at the Fairfax Street entrance.
- Accessible seating for people with assistive health and mobility devices is available on the south side of the sanctuary.
- Handicapped parking and entrances are available at the Fairfax Street and Elm Street entrances. Additional parking is available on the south side of the building.
- The Ammerman Library is open and staffed every Sunday.
- Please make sure your cell phones are silenced during worship.
- Parents, for the safety and well-being of all our children, we ask that you attend your children at all times.
- If you would like to leave your bulletin for recycling, please place it at the end of the pew.

Worship Ministries

Acolyte

10:30 a.m. Carter Cox

Altar Guild:

November Sonja Engebretson

Bus Driver:

Henok Yohannes

Cantor:

Keith Williamson

Communion Bread:

November Kent Mueller

Communion:

8 a.m. Pat Vaillancourt 10:30 a.m. Pam Uyemura

Kari Kusek

Communion Linens:

November Kay Cruson

Crucifer:

10:30 a.m. Will Reinert

Greeters:

10:30 a.m. Ken Beazer

Aaron Beazer

Library:

Linda Crow

Prayers:

Shanna VanderWel

Readers:

8 a.m. Morgan Levy 10:30 a.m. Jayme Howard

Ushers:

8 a.m. Roger Lipker

Rob Trussell

10:30 a.m. Karen Bourg

Dana Buhr Herman Ezpeleta

John Flory Greg Hempelman

Kristin Hempelman Allan Schneider

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Mission Statement

Celebrating God's grace, we welcome everyone to worship Jesus, grow in faith, and go serve in the world.

Worship

- Worship in person at 8 a.m. in Christ Chapel or at 10:30 a.m. in the sanctuary.
- Join Augustana on our Facebook page or YouTube channel for worship livestreamed every Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Visit Augustana's website (augustanadenver.org) for links, downloadable worship resources, and past worship recordings.

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