

Christ the King Sunday

Sunday, November 22, 2020 – Traditional Service with Communion

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**I WAS
NAKED**

AND YOU GAVE ME CLOTHING,

**I WAS
SICK**

AND YOU TOOK CARE OF ME,

**I WAS
IN PRISON**

AND YOU VISITED ME.””

MATTHEW 25:36, NRSV

WELCOME TO ALL

Welcome to worship at Trinity Lutheran Church! We are glad you are here. Even though we are spread out and wearing masks, we are delighted to gather as one people in the name of the risen Lord Jesus, in whose power over disease and death we take hope. Please use this bulletin to participate in the liturgy and take it with you when the service is ended. Don't forget to register each week on our website or by calling the office (717-263-8156) for the service that you wish to attend, so that we can maintain appropriate physical distancing in our sanctuary. If you are a guest or visitor worshipping with us and did not know to register for today's service, no problem; we have kept open some extra seating just in case. Simply plan to register for the service next week – and we do invite you to worship with us again!

Bathrooms are located down the hall from the side entrance to the sanctuary. Our nursery is not yet open, but the space is available for special use by individual families. If you visit the nursery to settle a child or change a diaper, please let one of the pastors or ushers know so that we can be sure to sanitize the room before the next service.

Ushers will dismiss worshippers at the end of the service row by row. Please wait to be dismissed, and conduct conversations and fellowship in the fresh, open air outside. We trust that as we take such precautions together, we follow our Lord's command to love our neighbor, and we help to ensure that we will be able to continue to gather for worship during the pandemic. Thank you for working with us toward that end!

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On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment.

In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged.

In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice.

We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet we await the consummation of all things yet to come.

Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.

WELCOME / ANNOUNCEMENTS

Congregation responds in bold print.

Please respect the silence of those around you preparing for worship.

PRELUDE

"O Worship the King"

Haydn

Please stand as you are able.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
In whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved.

Amen.

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Holy One,
we confess that we are not awake for you.
We are not faithful in using your gifts.
We forget the least of our siblings.
We do not see your beautiful image in one another.
We are infected by sin
that divides your beloved community.
Open our hearts to your coming,
open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,
open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children,
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through † Jesus you are forgiven,
by Jesus you are welcome,
in Jesus you are called to rejoice!
Let us live in the promises prepared for us
from the foundation of the world.
Amen.

APOSTOLIC GREETING

P: 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.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

**O God of power and might,
your Son shows us the way of service,
and in him we inherit the riches of your grace.
Give us the wisdom to know what is right
and the strength to serve the world you have made,
through Jesus Christ,
our Savior and Lord,
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God,
now and forever.
Amen.**

Please be seated.

WORD

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

¹¹Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. ¹²As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³I 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 watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. ¹⁴I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel.

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¹⁵I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. ¹⁶I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

²⁰Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, ²²I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. ²³I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. ²⁴And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

L: Word of God. Word of Life.

Thanks be to God!

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

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GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew, the 25th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ³¹“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; ³⁵for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ ³⁷Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ ⁴⁰And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.’ ⁴¹Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ ⁴⁴Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ ⁴⁵Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Please be seated.

CHILDREN'S SERMON

SERMON

"Prophet King"

Pastor Aaron

SPECIAL MUSIC

"On Eagles Wings"

Joncas

Lou Lerda; soloist

Please stand as you are able.

APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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

Longing for Christ's reign to come among us, we pray for the outpouring of God's power on the church, the world, and all in need.

A brief silence.

Sovereign God, apply your judgment to our hearts. Take away the urge to justify ourselves and make strong the impulse to show mercy and pardon. Make your Son's reconciling work to take hold within us. Teach us to serve others as you have served us.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

You cause rain to fall on the just and unjust alike. Help us to steward the creation with a sense of gratitude rather than entitlement, to cultivate it humbly and to use its resources sustainably. Give us generosity to share the abundance you provide.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Heal the divisions we erect between us and release us from ways of oppression and prejudice. Restore our capacity to see your image in those whose dignity has been taken away by illness, depression, and poverty.

We pray especially for Brantley, Scott, Jim, Ray, Rachel, Dottie, Corrina, Shirley, Christine, Mae, Kayla, Rose, Larry, Mary, Edie, Sherry, Linda, Tim, Cameron, Jim, Ron, Cheryl, Gillon, Ron, Jim, Becky, Bernice, Tanner, Ayano, Leland, Edith, Marlene, Anna, Jaye, Bertie, Sue, William, and the family and friends of Peg Sleighter.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

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Pour out the gifts of your Spirit on the members of our church, especially Betty Danzberger; Darlene Davies; Carrie Derk; Suzan Derk; Marjorie Dick; Joanne Diehl; Travis, Monica, Cody, Owen, Clark & John Diehl; Ronald & Darlene Dixon; Jenelle Donnelly; Dennis Drezek. Enlighten the eyes of their hearts to know the immeasurable greatness of Christ's power that they may serve this community with earnest hope for the day of Christ's reign.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Thank you for saints now departed who fed the hungry, clothed the naked, and tended to the sick. Inspire us by their example, that we may see your presence in those in need around us.

Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

P: Receive our prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Savior, until that day when you gather all creation around your throne where you will reign forever and ever.

Amen.

THE 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.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

Holy God, our Salvation and our Hope, when we brought on chaos, cruelty and despair, you sent the prophets to proclaim your justice and mercy.

At this end of the ages, your Son Jesus came to bring us your love, and to heal all the suffering world.

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 life, death, and resurrection,
we await his coming again
in righteousness and peace.

Send your Spirit on us
and on this bread and wine we share:
strengthen our faith, increase our hope,
and bring to birth the justice and joy of 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.

Please be seated.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION INFORMATION

All baptized followers of Christ are welcome at the Lord's Table.

Communicants are ushered forward row-by-row.

*Please continue to wear your mask as you come forward
and simply pull it down when receiving the communion elements.*

Collect an empty cup as you near the front of the sanctuary.

Wearing a sanitary glove, the pastor will drop a wafer in your hand.

*After you have eaten the wafer, the communion assistant
will pour wine from the chalice into the empty cup.*

After drinking the wine, please return to your seat along the side aisle.

*Grape juice is available; please request that
from the communion assistant if you prefer it.*

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - sored from the fall,
 3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
 hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
 the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.

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Please stand as you are able.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus,
in this simple meal you have set a banquet.
Sustain us on the journey,
strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children,
and give us glad and generous hearts
as we meet you on the way.
Amen.

SENDING

THE BENEDICTION

May the God of all creation,
in whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved,
who strengthens us for service,
give you reason to rejoice and be glad!

The blessing of God,
Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit,
be with you today and always.
Amen.

DISMISSAL

Beloved of God,
go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Please be seated.

POSTLUDE

“Crown Him With Many Crowns”

Elvey

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WORSHIP ASSISTANTS		
Senior Pastor	Pastor Aaron	
Associate Pastor	Pastor Arlyn	
Organist	Bob Eyer	
	8:30 AM	10:00 AM
Communion Prep	Dave Etter Louisa Etter	Gloria McCauley Rich McCauley
Communion Assistants	Phil Lobaugh	Kathy Ashway
Lectors	Herb Spomer	Joyce McDonald
Ushers	Brenda Runshaw Ken Runshaw	Elaine Hess-Strite Lois Hess-Strite
Livestream Team		Jason Brown Christie Brown

*Altar Flowers are given to the Glory of God,
in loving memory of my wife Phyllis,
by her husband, Robert Koenig and
by her four daughters: Kris, Kim, Pat, & Judy.*



*The children's bulletins are given to the glory of God and
In thankfulness of God's many blessings,
by Bill & Peg Etter.*

**LAST WEEK'S ATTENDANCE:
Sunday, November 15, 2020**

In-Person	59
Online Worship Service Views:	160
Online Contemporary Devotional Service Views	32

STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET

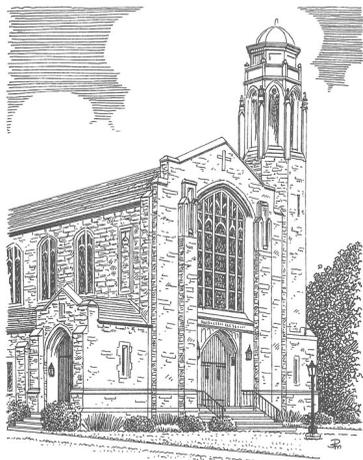
*"And the king will answer them,
"Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these
who are members of my family, you did it to me."— Matthew 25:40*

When our thankfulness translates into action and service to
"the least of these," we may never fully realize the ripple effects.

How might you show gratitude to God in tangible ways
that lift up your neighbor in need?

Budgeted amount needed: \$8,072.12 11/15/2020 Offering: \$39,089.57

Thank You!



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Vision

"Growing in God"

Mission Statement

*"Seed - Planting and Growing in our Faith
Sow - Sharing the word of God with our community
Steward - Giving to all the love of God
Service - Showing the love of God with our community"*