

Order of Worship + November 22, 2020  
**Christ the King Sunday**

**Prelude**

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**Welcome and Announcements**

**Confession and Forgiveness**

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

C: **Amen**

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.

*Please take a few moments for silent reflection.*

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 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**

## Announcement of God's Forgiveness

**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.

## Opening Song: "Splendor and Honor"

**LSB #950**

### Splendor and Honor

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1 Splen - dor and hon - or, maj - es - ty and pow - er  
2 Praised be the true Lamb, slain for our re - demp - tion,  
3 To the Al - might - y, throned in heav'n - ly splen - dor,

Are Yours, O Lord God, fount of ev - 'ry bless - ing,  
By whose self - of - f'ring we are made God's peo - ple:  
And to the Sav - ior, Christ our Lamb and Shep - herd,

For by Your bid - ding was the whole cre -  
A priest - ly king - dom, from all tongues and  
Be ad - o - ra - tion, praise, and glo - ry

a - tion Called in - to be - ing.  
na - tions, Called to God's ser - vice.  
giv - en, Now and for - ev - er.

## Salutation

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

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A: **In peace, let us pray to the Lord**

C: Lord, have mercy.

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

C: Lord, have mercy.

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 mercy.

A: **For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord**

C: Lord, have mercy.

A: **Help, save, comfort and defend us gracious Lord**

C: Amen.

## Prayer of the Day

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

P: Let us pray...

C: **Sovereign Lord, at the end of time your eternal reign will be fully revealed, and all will stand in awe of your Son, Jesus, the King of kings. As we gather in your holy presence, nourish us with word, bread, and wine that we may go forth making that reign known; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who**

**lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

**First Lesson**

**Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24**

<sup>11</sup> ““For this is what the Sovereign Lord says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. <sup>12</sup> As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. <sup>13</sup> I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. <sup>14</sup> I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign Lord. <sup>16</sup> I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.

<sup>20</sup> ““Therefore this is what the Sovereign Lord says to them: See, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup> Because you shove with flank and shoulder, butting all the weak sheep with your horns until you have driven them away, <sup>22</sup> I will save my flock, and they will no longer be plundered. I will judge between one sheep and another.

<sup>23</sup> I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> I the Lord will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the Lord have spoken.

**L: The Word of the Lord.**

**C: Thanks be to God**

L: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

**C: Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.**

L: For the Lord is the great God, the great King above all gods.

**C: In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.**

L: The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

**C: Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the Lord our Maker;**

L: for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

**C: Today, if only you would hear his voice,**

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**Second Lesson**

**1 Corinthians 15:20-28**

<sup>20</sup> But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in turn: Christ, the first fruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. <sup>24</sup> Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, 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 he “has put

everything under his feet.” Now when it says that “everything” has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. <sup>28</sup> When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

L: The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God**

### **Gospel Announcement**

**Matthew 25:31-46**

P: The Gospel according to Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>31</sup> “When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. <sup>32</sup> All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. <sup>33</sup> He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

<sup>34</sup> “Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. <sup>35</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, <sup>36</sup> I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

<sup>37</sup> “Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? <sup>38</sup> When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you?

<sup>39</sup> When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

<sup>40</sup> “The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’

<sup>41</sup> “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. <sup>42</sup> For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup> I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

<sup>44</sup> “They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

<sup>45</sup> “He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’

<sup>46</sup> “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

**P:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**C:** Praise to you O Christ.

**Children’s Message**

**Larry Bonier**

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**Sermon**

**Lynnae Douglas**

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**Sermon Song “Is He Worthy” Jen & Ruth Brostowitz & Chris Dudzik**

<sup>1</sup> Do you feel the world is broken/We do  
Do you feel the shadows deepen/We do  
But do you know that all the dark  
Won't stop the light from getting through/We do  
Do you wish that you could see it all made new/We do  
<sup>2</sup>Is all creation groaning/It is  
Is a new creation coming/It is  
Is the glory of the Lord

To be the light within our midst/It is  
Is it good that we remind ourselves of this/It is

*Chorus 1*

Is anyone worthy  
Is anyone whole  
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll  
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave  
He is David's Root  
And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave  
Is He worthy  
Is He worthy  
Of all blessing and honor and glory  
Is He worthy of this  
He is

<sup>3</sup>Does the Father truly love us/He does  
Does the Spirit move among us/He does  
And does Jesus our Messiah  
Hold forever those He loves/He does  
Does our God intend to dwell again with us/He does

*Chorus 2*

Is anyone worthy  
Is anyone whole  
Is anyone able to break the seal and open the scroll  
The Lion of Judah who conquered the grave  
He is David's Root  
And the Lamb who died to ransom the slave  
From ev'ry people and tribe every nation and tongue  
He has made us a kingdom and priests  
To God to reign with the Son  
Is He worthy  
Is He worthy  
Of all blessing and honor and glory  
Is He worthy  
Is He worthy  
Is He worthy of this  
He is

## Apostles' Creed

A: Let us profess the faith of the Church, the faith in which we baptize:

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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, and the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

*The prayers conclude*

P: Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C: Amen**

## Peace of Christ

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

P: You may share a sign of peace with your family members.

**Offertory: "Let The Vineyards" WOY page 35**

Let the vine-yards be fruit - ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of  
 bless - ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown,  
 that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
 Gath - er the hopes and dreams of all; u - nite them with the prayers we  
 of - fer now. Grace our ta - ble with your pres - ence, Lord,  
 and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

## The Great Thanksgiving

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also 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 God thanks and praise.**

P: 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 Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life.

And so, with the Church on earth, and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

**C: Holy, holy holy are you, God of power and might: Heaven and earth are filled with your glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blessed is the One who comes in your name. Hosanna in the highest, Hosanna in the highest!**

### **Words of Institution**

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P: 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 as often as you drink it, for the remembrance of me.

### **Lord's Prayer**

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

**C: 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.**

### **Communion is distributed**

### **Post-Communion Blessing**

**P:** The body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

**A:** **Amen.**

### **Post-Communion Prayer**

**A:** 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**

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**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**

### **Closing Music “We Praise You and Acknowledge You” LSB 941**

### **Dismissal**

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**A:** Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C:** **Thanks be to God.**