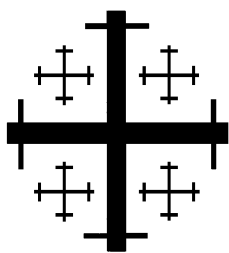


# **Christ the King**

**26 November 2023**

**9:30 am**





# The Liturgy at Calvary

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.

**Prelude** *Personet Hodie*

**Arr. Robert J. Powell**

*Please stand & face the Baptismal font*

**Penitential Rite (W&P 94)**

Maj - es - ty, wor - ship his maj - es - ty: un - to

Je - sus be all glo - ry, hon - or, and praise.

Maj - es - ty, king - dom au - thor - i - ty flows from his

throne un - to his own; his an - them raise.

So ex - alt, lift up on high the name of Je - sus.

Mag - ni - fy, come glo - ri - fy Christ Je - sus, the king.

Maj - es - ty, wor - ship his maj - es - ty:

Je - sus who died, now glo - ri - fied,

King of all kings. Je - sus who

died, now glo - ri - fied, King of all kings.

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- L "Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD: Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep" (Ezekiel 34:20-24). Let us confess the ways we fail to live as the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand.

*Silence is kept for confession and reflection*

- L Let us come before God's presence with thanksgiving,
- C **"Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our maker. For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep of God's hand" (Psalm 95:6-7).**
- L For thus says the Lord GOD: As 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... (Ezekiel 34:11-12).
- REPRISE Majesty**

## 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.

**C** And also with you.

## Kyrie Eleison [Greek, Lord, Have Mercy]

ALL

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son. Ky - ri - e e - le - i - son.

Cantor

For peace in the world, for the health of

the church for the un - i - ty of all

for this ho - ly house for all who wor-ship and praise. let us pray to the Lord:

## ALL Kyrie Eleison

Cantor

For peace in our hearts; for peace in

our homes, for Spir - it kind - led love

for our life in Christ, which fills us with joy, let us pray to the Lord:

## ALL Kyrie Eleison

# Hymn of Praise

## Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God!

Al-le-lu-ia, al-lu-lue-ia!

1. Wor - thy is Chirst, the Lamb whowas slain whose

blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and strength, and

hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are His.

2. Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and

join in thehymn of all cre - a - tion:

Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry and might be to

God and theLamb for - ev - er, A - men.

3. For the Lamb who was slain has be -

gun his reign, Al - le - lu - ia.

### *Final Refrain*

[illegible]

## Prayer of the Day

P The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

P 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.

**C Amen.**

*Please sit for today's scripture readings.*

## First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

<sup>11</sup>Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As 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. <sup>13</sup>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 watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. <sup>14</sup>I 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. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says 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, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

<sup>20</sup>Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, <sup>22</sup>I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

<sup>23</sup>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, the LORD, have spoken.

**L** The Word of the Lord.

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

## Psalm 95 REFRAIN, *all echo & sing after verses*

### Psalm 95

Viktor Andersson

CAPO 1

If to -day you hear God's word, hard -en not your heart.

If to -day you hear God's word, sing out with joy.

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1. Shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation. Shout to God with Psalms. Let us come before God with thanksgiving; Sing to our God. **REFRAIN**
2. In God's hands are the caverns of the earth; Highest hills God holds. The sea is God's who made it. God formed the land. **REFRAIN**
3. O come let us bow on bended knee. Kneel before our maker. We are people in God's hands; Held in God's hands. **REFRAIN**

## Second Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I 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, <sup>18</sup>so 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, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God 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, <sup>21</sup>far 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. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.



L The Word of the Lord  
C **Thanks be to God**

*Please stand for the Holy Gospel*

### **Alleluia Verse/Gospel Acclamations**

Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le, hal - le, hal - le - lu - jah!

Hal - le - lu - jah! Hal - le - lu - jah!

Text: Caribbean traditional  
Music: HALLE, HALLE, Caribbean traditional

**CHOIR: Blessed is He who comes in the Name of the Lord.  
Bless the Kingdom of our Ancestor David**

**Reprise *Halle, Halle***

P The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. The 25<sup>th</sup> chapter  
C **Glory to you, O Lord**

<sup>33</sup>When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>¶Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."¶ And they cast lots to divide his clothing. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" <sup>36</sup>The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, <sup>37</sup>and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" <sup>38</sup>There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup>And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." <sup>42</sup>Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." <sup>43</sup>He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

P The Gospel of Our Lord  
C **Praise to you, O Christ!**

**Sermon** *Pr Phil*

## Hymn of the Day *O Savior, Precious Savior* (ELW 820)

1 O Sav - ior, pre - cious Sav - ior, whom yet un - seen we love;  
 2 O bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous - ly hast wrought,  
 3 In thee all full - ness dwell - eth, all grace and pow'r di - vine;  
 4 Oh, grant the con - sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove,

O name of might and fa - vor, all oth - er names a - bove:  
 thy - self the rev - e - la - tion of love be - yond our thought:  
 the glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O Son of God, is thine.  
 in end - less ad - o - ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing love;

we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 we wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing;  
 then shall we praise and bless thee where per - fect prais - es ring,

we praise thee and con - fess thee, our ho - ly Lord and King.  
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our gra - cious Lord and King.  
 we praise thee and con - fess thee, our glo - rious Lord and King.  
 and ev - er - more con - fess thee, our Sav - ior and our King!

Text: Frances R. Havergal, 1836-1879. Music: ANGEL'S STORY, Arthur H. Mann, 1850-1929.

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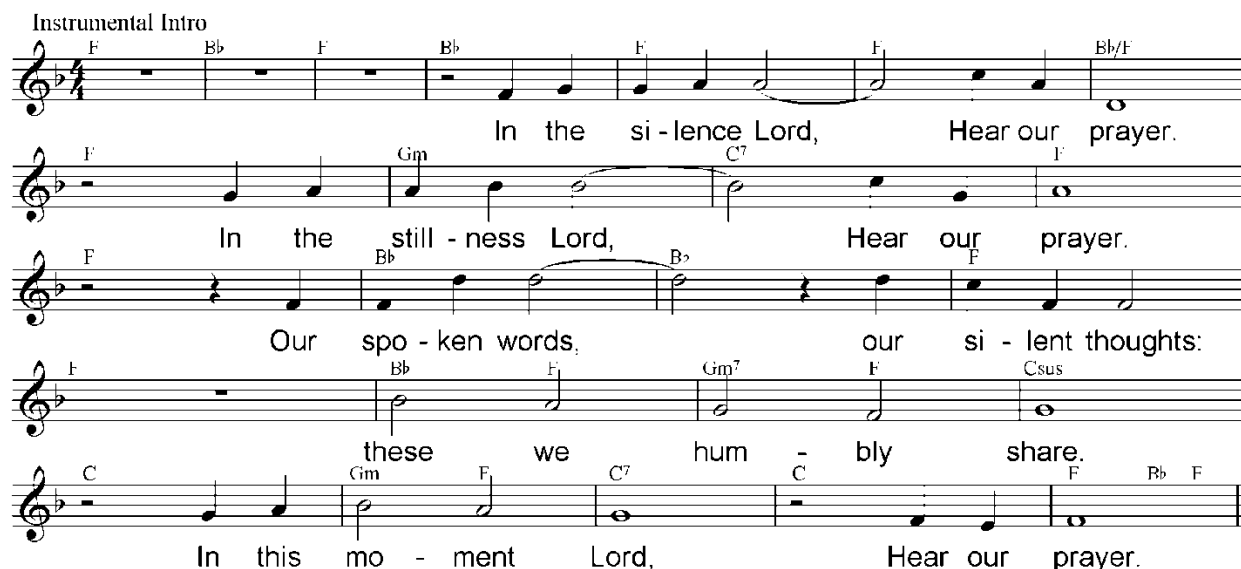
A Let us profess the faith in which we are Baptized.

**ALL 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, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen**

## Prayers of the Faithful

A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Instrumental Intro



In the si-lence Lord, Hear our prayer.

In the still-ness Lord, Hear our prayer.

Our spo-ken words, our si-lent thoughts:

these we hum-bly share.

In this mo-ment Lord, Hear our prayer.

*after each petition*

A Lord in your mercy,

**C Hear our prayer.**

*concluding with*

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

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

**C** **And also with you.**

*Please greet one another in the name of the Lord*

## Offertory *The Lord Is High Above All the Nations*

**G. F. Handel (1685-1759) arr. Walter D. Ehret**

**Sanctuary Choir**

**The Lord is high above all the nations and over all the heavens and reigns in everlasting glory**



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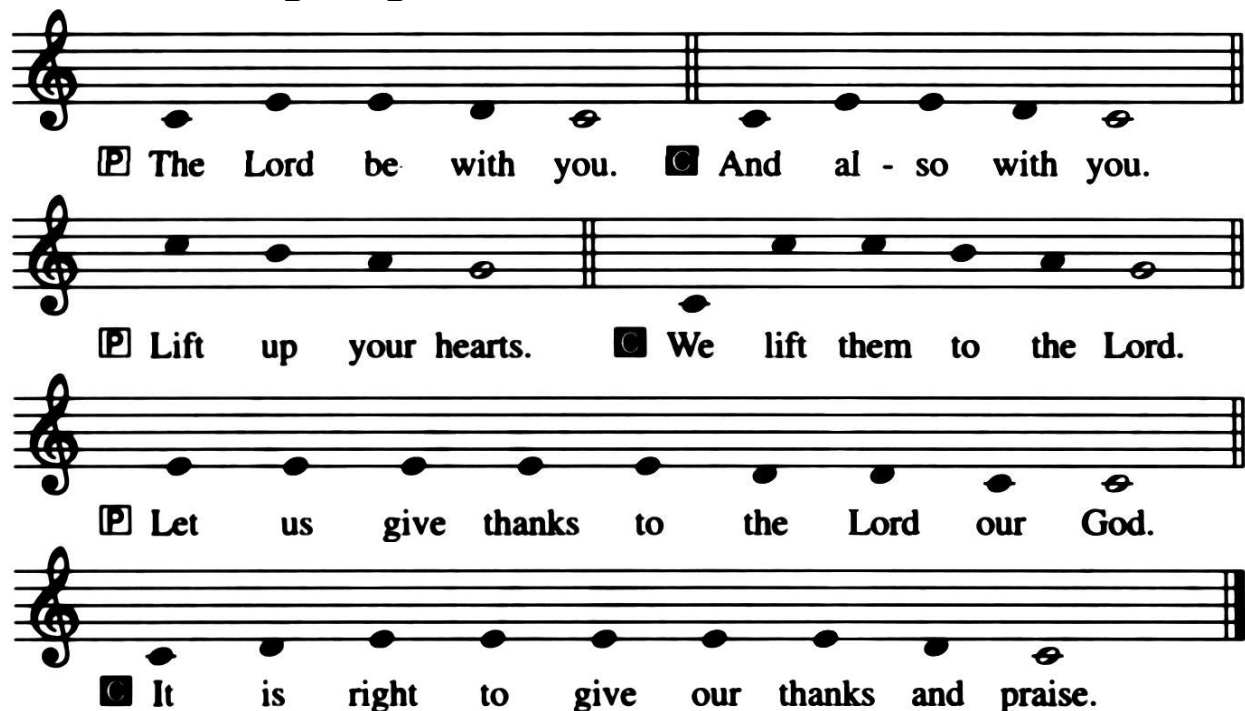
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The musical score is written for a Sanctuary Choir in 4/4 time. It consists of six staves of music with lyrics underneath. The lyrics are: "We lift our voices. We lift our hearts, we lift our lives up to you: we are an of-fer- ing. Lord, use our voices. Lord, use our hearts. Lord, use our lives, they are yours: we are an of-fer- ing. All that we have, all that we are, all that we hope to be we give to you, we give to you. We lift our voices we lift our hearts, we lift our lives up to you: we are an of-fer- ing. We are an of-fer- ing." The score includes various musical notations such as treble clefs, time signatures, and accidentals. Chord symbols are written above the notes: G, C2, Dm7, C2, F, C, 3, Dm7, G, C2, Dm7, C2, F, C, Dm7, F, G7, Em7, Asus, Dm7, G7sus, E, D, E, Am, Dm7, C2, Eb, Dm7, G, C2, Dm7, C2, F, C2, 3, Dm7, G, 3, C. The score ends with a double bar line.

A Let us pray. Merciful Father,  
**C we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us - our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our lord. Amen**

## Great Thanksgiving



The musical notation consists of four staves, each with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp (F#). The notes are simple half and quarter notes. The lyrics are written below the staves, with a 'P' (Piano) or 'C' (Crescendo) marking at the beginning of each line.

**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 our thanks and praise.

P It is indeed right and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, holy God, mighty and immortal, through Jesus Christ our Lord,  
 The day of your final Jubilee dawned in your Son, Jesus, your Anointed One who announced good news to the poor, bound up the broken-hearted, and set the captives free.  
 And so with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

## Sanctus & Benedictus *[Latin, Holy & Blessed]*

You are ho - ly, you are whole. You are al - ways ev - er - more  
 than we ev - er un - der - stand. You are al - ways at hand.  
 Bless - ed are you com - ing near. Bless - ed are you com - ing here.  
 to your church in wine and bread, raised from soil, raised from dead.  
 You are ho - ly, you are whole - ness,  
 you are pres - ent. Let the cos - mos praise you, Lord!  
 Sing ho - san - na in the high - est!  
 Sing ho - san - na! Sing ho - san - na to our God!

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## Eucharistic Prayer

### Eucharistic Acclamation

We pro - claim your death, Lord; we cel - e - brate your ris - ing; we  
 break this bread and share this cup un - til you come a - gain.

P Remember us in your kingdom, O Lord, and teach us to pray.  
**ALL 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**

### **Agnus Dei** *[Latin, Lamb of God]*

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:  
 have mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:  
 have mer - cy up - on us, have mer - cy up - on us.

O Lamb of .. God, you.. take a - way the sin of the world:  
 Grant us your peace, grant us your peace.





### **Holy Communion**

**In-Person:** We commune at the Altar.  
Ushers will guide.

Gluten-free wafers available upon request.


**Online at Home:** If you have elements at home, commune with those in attendance at the same time. We encourage you to communion each other and bless children who have not received First Communion. Consider giving this blessing:  
"Know that the promises of Jesus's love are for you."

*Songs that may be sung during distribution of the Sacrament:*


## Love Divine, All Loves Excelling (ELW 631)



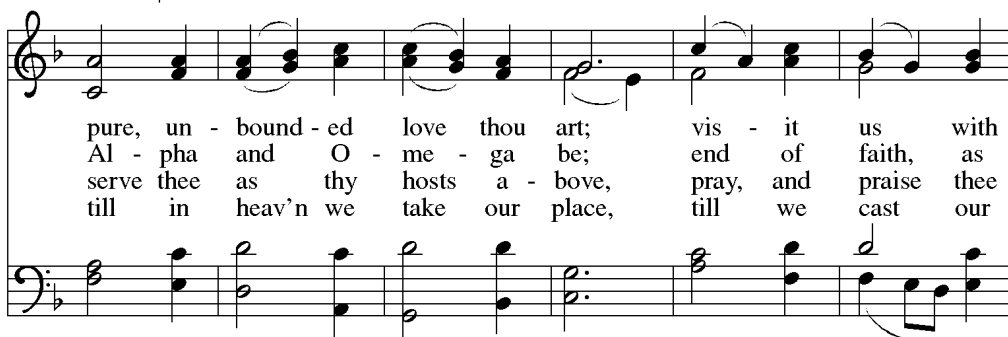
1 Love di - vine, all loves ex - cel - ling, Joy of heav'n, to  
 2 Breathe, oh, breathe thy lov - ing Spir - it in - to ev - 'ry  
 3 Come, Al - might - y, to de - liv - er; let us all thy  
 4 Fin - ish then thy new cre - a - tion, pure and spot - less



earth come down! Fix in us thy hum - ble dwell - ing, all thy  
 trou - bled breast; let us all in thee in - her - it; let us  
 life re - ceive; sud - den - ly re - turn, and nev - er, nev - er -  
 let us be; let us see thy great sal - va - tion per - fect -



faith - ful mer - cies crown. Je - sus, thou art all com - pas - sion,  
 find thy prom - ised rest. Take a - way the love of sin - ning;  
 more thy tem - ples leave. Thee we would be al - ways bless - ing,  
 ly re - stored in thee! Changed from glo - ry in - to glo - ry,



pure, un - bound - ed love thou art; vis - it us with  
 Al - pha and O - me - ga be; end of faith, as  
 serve thee as thy hosts a - bove, pray, and praise thee  
 till in heav'n we take our place, till we cast our



thy sal - va - tion, en - ter ev - 'ry trem - bling heart.  
 its be - gin - ning, set our hearts at lib - er - ty.  
 with - out ceas - ing, glo - ry in thy per - fect love.  
 crowns be - fore thee, lost in won - der, love, and praise!

Text: Kevin Nichols, 1929-2006. Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788. Music: HYFRYDOL, Rowland H. Prichard, 1811-1887

**Beautiful Savior (ELW 838)** Silesian Folk Tune  
**Vs 3 All sing harmony acapella (unaccompanied)**



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,  
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,  
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,  
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!  
 robed in the flow'rs of spring;  
 bright in the spar - kling stars on high;  
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,  
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,  
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,  
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.  
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.  
 than all the an - gels in the sky.  
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: Gesangbuch, Munster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904. Music: SCHONSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 1842.

**P** The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

**C** **Amen**

### Post Communion Canticle

Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the  
Ho - ly One, give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
Give thanks with a grate - ful heart, give thanks to the  
Ho - ly One, give thanks be - cause he's giv - en Je - sus Christ, his Son.  
And now, let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us. And  
now, let the weak say, "I am strong," let the poor say, "I am  
rich," be - cause of what the Lord has done for us, Give thanks!

**A** Let us pray... We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C** **Amen**

P The Lord bless you and keep you.  
 The Lord's face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
 The Lord look upon you with favor and ✕ give you  
 peace.

C **Amen**

### Recessional *Jesus Shall Reign* (ELW 434)

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners  
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -  
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with

shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

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

A Go in Peace. Serve the Lord!

C **Thanks be to God!**

**Postlude *Oh, for a Thousand Tongues to Sing***  
**Setting by Barbara Harbach**

**Upcoming Commemorations**

**Andrew, Apostle**

**Thursday, November 30, 2023**

The first of the disciples to be called by Jesus, Andrew quickly began to bring others to the Savior, including Simon Peter. The Bible also shows him leading some Greeks to meet Jesus, and he brought forward the boy with five loaves and two fish, with which Jesus fed thousands.

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