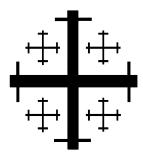
Christ the King

23 November 2025

8 & 11 am



The Liturgy at Calvary



Jeremiah's promise of the execution of "justice and righteousness in the land" finds ironic fulfillment in the execution of Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. It appears utterly contradictory that a king should be crucified with a criminal. This victory appears for all the world as humiliating defeat. Yet

through the gate of death Jesus opens the door to paradise.

Prelude Crown Him with Many Crowns

Tune: *Diademata* (George J. Elvey, 1816-1893)

Setting by Charles Callahan, c. 2019

Please stand & face the Baptismal Font

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.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

- 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.
- P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of ♣ Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.

C Amen.

Please turn in place as the cross passes in procession.

Entrance Hymn Crown Him with Many Crowns (ELW 855)



Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4. Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816-1893.

Apostolic Greeting

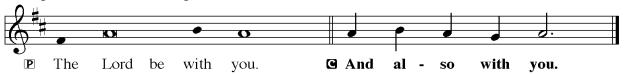
- P The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, ★ the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
- C And also with you.



Canticle Of Praise



Prayer Of The Day



P Let us pray...

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, 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 be seated for today's scripture readings

First Reading Jeremiah 23:1-6

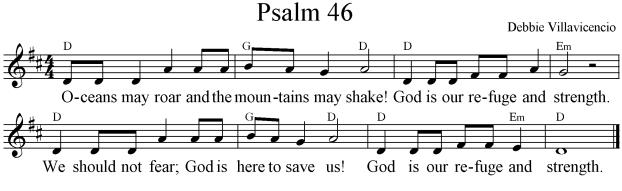
¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

L The Word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

Refrain, all echo & sing after verses



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- 1. There's a city of hope where the river flows and it stands firm and strong. Though the world rages on in turmoil and fear when God speaks the earth grows meek. **Refrain**
- 2. The ruler of all came to walk among men, to set His people free. See the glorious things our God has done causing wars and strife to cease.

 Refrain
- 3. Stand still and know that I am God, Honor me throughout the land. For the ruler of all came to walk among men to see His people free. **Refrain**

Second Reading Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the

church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

L The Word of the Lord

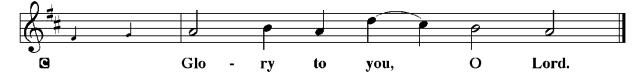
C Thanks be to God

Please stand for the Holy Gospel

Alleluia Verse & Gospel Acclamations



P The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the 23rd chapter

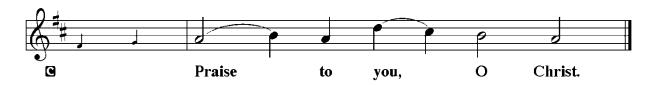


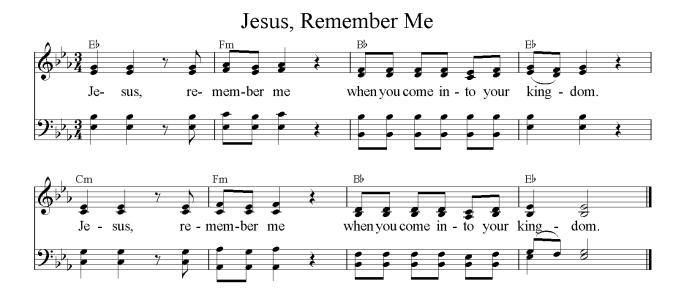
³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing."] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching;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

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we

indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

P The Gospel of our Lord.





Sermon *Pr. Kyle*

Silent Reflection

Hymn Of The Day O Savior, Precious Savior (ELW 820) Sav - ior, pre-cious Sav - ior, whom yet 0 un - seen we bring - er of sal - va - tion, who won - drous - ly hast wrought, 2 O all full-ness dwell - eth, all thee grace and pow'r di - vine; 3 In the con-sum - ma - tion of this our song a - bove, grant 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: glo - ry that ex - cel - leth, O of God, is Son thine. the end-less ad - o - ra - tion and ev - er - last - ing in love; 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 We wor - ship thee; we bless thee; to thee a - lone we sing; we praise and thee where per - fect prais-es then shall bless ring, 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. we thee, our Sav - ior and our and ev - er-more con - fess King!

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

Creed

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 Intercession

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

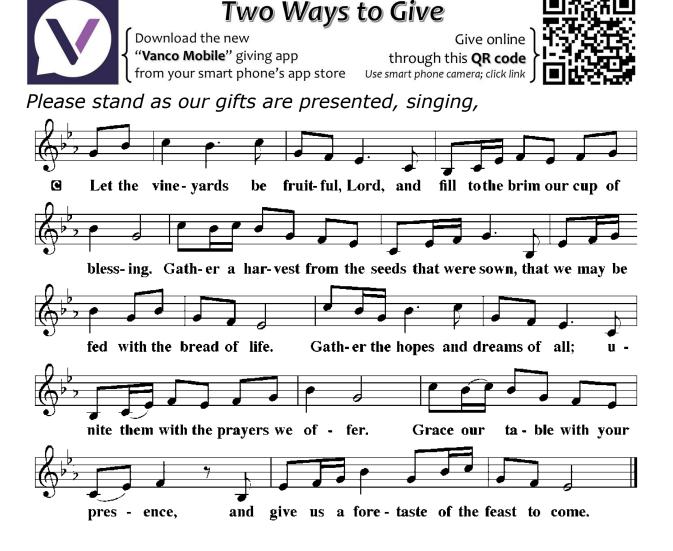
P The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C And also with you.

Offertory (8) Arioso

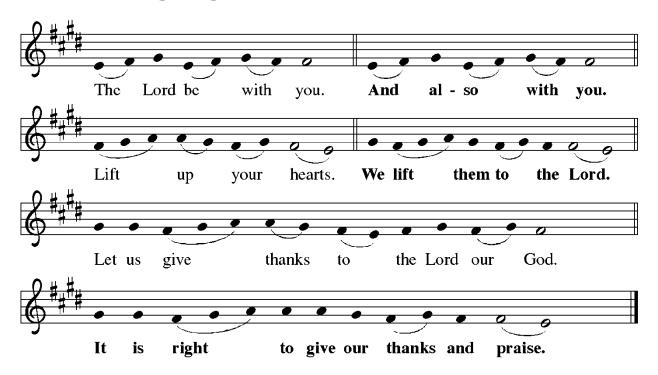
Setting: Craig Penfield, c. 2018

(11) God Be In My Head The Book of Hours 1514 Robert A. Hobby, 2021 Sanctuary Choir God, God
God be in my head and in my understanding;
God, in my eyes and in my looking;
God, in my mouth and in my speaking.
God, be in my heart and in my thinking
God, God,
God be in my head and in my understanding;
God be in my eyes and in my looking;
God be in my mouth and in my speaking;
God be in my heart and in my thinking;
God be at my end and at my departing
God
Amen, Amen



- 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

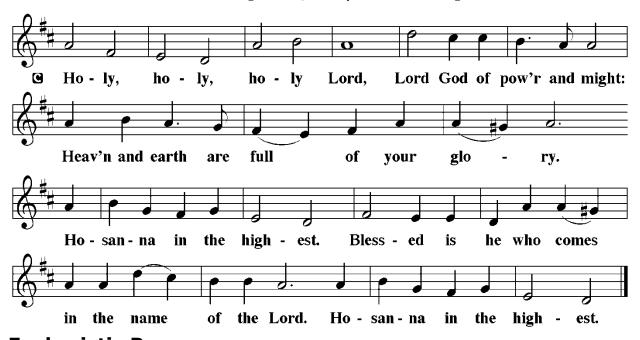


P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior, Jesus Christ,

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 all the choirs of angels, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Sanctus & Benedictus [Latin, Holy & Blessed]



Eucharistic Prayer

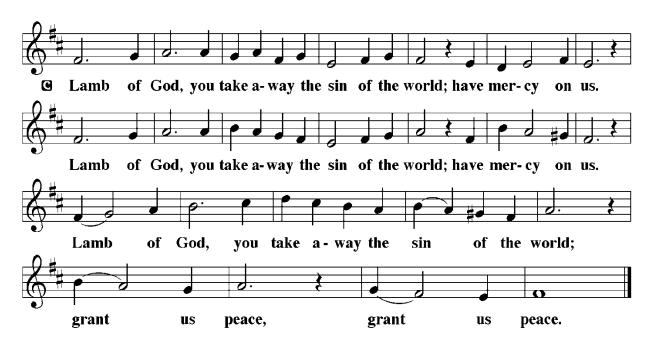
Eucharistic Acclamation



- 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
- P Body of Christ given for you; Blood of Christ shed for you

Agnus Dei [Latin, Lamb of God]





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)



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)



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 Nunc Dimittis (Latin, Now dismiss)



A Let us pray... God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name.

C Amen

P The Benediction 🗷

C Amen

Recessional Jesus Shall Reign (ELW 434)



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 Songs of Thankfulness and Praise

Setting: Robert Hobby, b. 1961 Based on tune *Salzburg* by Jakob Hintze (1622-1702)

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	8:00 AM	11:00 AM
Lector	Julie Lansdon	Fred Ginapp
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Ushers &		Mike Sandberg, Jarod
Greeters		Sandberg, Eddie & Val
		Wilkerson
Altar Guild	Jenny Gibson	Patti Wilson
Audio / Live	Steve Frisch	Zach Williams, Brayden
Stream		Chambers

Viktor Andersson, Director of Worship & Music Debbie Villavicencio, Organist

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UPCOMING COMMEMORATION

Clement, Bishop of Rome, died around 100 Sunday, November 23, 2025

Clement was the third bishop of Rome. He is best remembered for a letter he wrote to the congregation in Corinth, still struggling with the same problems that led to Paul's letters to them. As did Paul, he focused on the need for love among Christians.

Miguel Agustín Pro, martyr, died 1927 Sunday, November 23, 2025

Pro grew up in a time when the Mexican revolutionaries accused the church of siding with the wealthy. He became a Jesuit priest, and worked on behalf of the poor and homeless. Falsely accused of throwing a bomb at a government official, he was executed, but not before crying out "Long live Christ the King!"

Justus Falckner, died 1723; Jehu Jones, died 1852; William Passavant, died 1894; pastors in North America Monday, November 24, 2025

Not only was Falckner the first Lutheran ordained in North America, but he published a catechism which was the first Lutheran book published on the continent. Jones was the Lutheran church's first African American pastor and carried out missionary work in Philadelphia which led to the formation there of the first African American Lutheran congregation (St. Paul's). William Passavant helped to establish hospitals and orphanages in a number of cities and was the first to introduce deaconesses to the work of hospitals in the United States.

Isaac Watts, hymnwriter, died 1748 Tuesday, November 25, 2025

Thought by many to be the greatest hymnwriter in the English language, Watts as a youth was critical of the quality of the metrical psalter of the time. He wrote about 600 hymns—many based on the psalms, but others that are not.

"And with all the choirs of angels" What are the choirs of angels?

Archangels (Jude 9; 1 Thes 4:16) are chief or leading angels. **Archangel Michael** is Prince of the Seraphim, having a unique role as God's messenger of salvation (Tb 12:6, 15; Jn 5:4; Rv 12:7-9) **Archangel Gabriel** first appeared in the Old Testament in the prophesies of Daniel, (Dn 9:21-27), announced the birth of St. John the Baptist (Lk 1:11). to Zechariah, and proclaimed Mary to be the mother of our Lord and Saviour. (Lk 1:26). **Archangel Raphael** first appeared in the book of Tobit (Tobias)Tb 3:25, 5:5-28, 6-12). He announces "I am the Angel Raphael, one of the seven who stand before the throne of God." (Tb 12:15)

Seraphim [Isaiah 6:1-7] The highest choir of angels - attendants or guardians before God's throne. With six wings, two cover their faces, two cover their feet, and two are for flying while praising God, calling, "Holy Holy Holy is the Lord of Hosts".

Cherubim [Rev 4-6] Second in the choirs of angels - humanlike in appearance, with double-wings, guardians of God's glory - celestial attendants in Revelations

Thrones Angels of pure Humility, Peace and Submission, residing in the cosmos where material form begins to take shape

Dominions Angels of Leadership, regulating the duties of the angels, making known the commands of God. (Eph 1:21; Col 1:16)

Virtues Spirits of Motion, controlling the elements, referred to as "the shining ones." They govern all nature, seasons, stars, moon; & sun. In charge of miracles and provide courage, grace, and valor.

Powers Angels who defend the cosmos and humans, fighting against evil spirits attempting to wreak chaos through human beings -chief is said to be either Samael or Camael. (Rom 8:38; 1 Cor 15:24; Eph 1:21; 1 Pt 3:22; 2 Thes 1:7)

Angels - closest to the material world & human begins, delivering the prayers to God and God's answers and other messages to humans - the most caring ally assisting those who ask for help.

