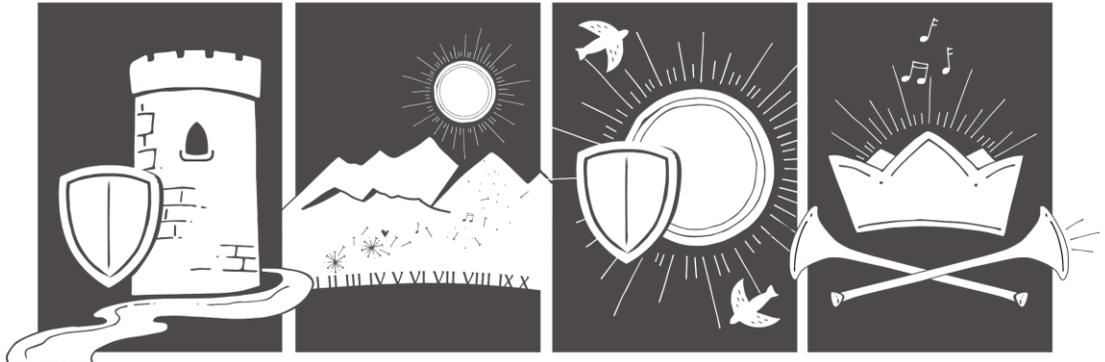


PSALMS



FOR THE SEASON OF END TIMES

CHRIST THE KING

9:00 & 11:15 am November 22, 2020



ROCK OF AGES

LUTHERAN CHURCH

Welcome to our guests!

- We pray that the message you hear today from God's Word will fill your heart with the peace and joy we have in knowing that Jesus Christ is our Savior from sin.
- Our mission is to share the rock-solid hope of Jesus with today's world through timeless truths found in the Holy Scriptures.
- Large print service folders and hearing assistance devices are available.
- Restrooms are located at the far ends of the entry area.
- Thank you for respecting your fellow worshippers by practicing social distancing. Volunteers are sanitizing the shared touch points between services.
- Children's activity bags, quiet toys, and a changing table are available from the nursery in entry area.
- We are part of a world-wide Christian body and support the gospel ministry of the WELS. We'd love to share more with you. Contact our pastor today. You can also visit wels.net





Divine Service II

WITH HOLY COMMUNION

A version of the historic liturgy of the Christian Church

Greeting

Hymn

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Christian Worship 341

Brass Introduction

♪ **Crown him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon his throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns
All music but its own.
Awake, my soul, and sing
Of him who died for thee,
And hail him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.**

**2. Crown him the Lord of love --
Behold his hands and side,
Rich wounds, yet visible above,
In beauty glorified.
No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight,
But downward bends his wond'ring eye
At mysteries so bright.**

**3. Crown him the Lord of life,
Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife
For those he came to save.
His glories now we sing
Who died and rose on high,**

**Who died eternal life to bring
And lives that death may die.**

**4. Crown him the Lord of heav'n,
Enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King to whom is giv'n
The wondrous name of Love.
Crown him with many crowns
As thrones before him fall;
Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns
For he is King of all.**

Invocation

In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Confession

Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,
For sins of habit and sins of choice,
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,
You should cast me away from your presence forever.
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

Absolution

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Lord, Have Mercy *Kyrie*

Mark 10:47

In peace, let us pray to the Lord. For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

Christ, have mercy.

For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

Amen.

Response of Praise

There is a Higher Throne
Christian Worship Supplement 727:1

♪ **There is a higher throne than all this world has known,
Where faithful ones from ev'ry tongue will one day come.
Before the Son we'll stand, made faultless through the Lamb;
Believing hearts find promised grace; salvation comes.**

***Hear heaven's voices sing; their thund'rous anthem rings.
Through em'rald courts and sapphire skies
their praises rise.***

***All glory, wisdom, pow'r,
strength, thanks, and honor are
to God our King who reigns on high
forevermore.***

THE WORD

Prayer of the Day

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

First Lesson

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 23, 24

The Lord God himself will be our Shepherd King

For this is what the Lord God says. Here I am. I myself will seek the welfare of my flock and carefully search for them. ¹²As a shepherd searches for his flock when his sheep that were with him have been scattered, so I will search for my flock and rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. ¹³I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them to their own soil. I will shepherd them on the mountains of Israel, in the valleys, and in all the settlements of the land. ¹⁴I will lead them into good pasture, and their grazing land will be on the high mountains of Israel. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and they will pasture on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will shepherd my flock. I myself will let them lie down, declares the Lord God. ¹⁶I will seek the lost. I will bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured. I will strengthen the weak. I will destroy the fat and the strong, and I will shepherd them with justice.

²³Then I will raise up over them one shepherd, and he will tend them. My servant David will tend them, and he will be their shepherd. ²⁴I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David will be the prince among them. I, the Lord, have spoken.

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 47

Congregation sings refrain and speaks the indented lines

♪ **Surely, it is God who saves me;
I will trust in him and not be afraid;
For the Lord is my stronghold and my sure defense,
and he will be my Savior.**

¹All you peoples, clap your hands!
Shout to God! Sing a loud song!

²Yes, the LORD Most High is awesome.
He is the great King over all the earth!

³He subdues peoples under us
and nations under our feet.

⁴He chooses our inheritance for us.
It is the pride of Jacob, whom he loves.

♪ **Refrain**

⁵God has ascended with a joyful shout.
The LORD goes up with the sound of the ram's horn.

⁶Make music for God! Make music!
Make music for our King! Make music!

⁷For God is the King of all the earth.
Make music for him with a wise song.

⁸God reigns as king over the nations.
God is seated on his holy throne.

⁹The nobles of the peoples come together
as the people of the God of Abraham.

Yes, the shields of the earth belong to God.
He is greatly exalted. ♪ Refrain

Second Lesson

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

Christ fulfills prophecy as he reigns forever as King over all

But in fact Christ has been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For since death came by a man, the resurrection of the dead also is going to come by a man. ²²For as in Adam they all die, so also in Christ they all will be made alive. ²³But each in his own order: Christ as the firstfruits and then Christ's people, at his coming. ²⁴Then comes the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, after he has done away with every other ruler and every other authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign "until he has put all his enemies under his feet." ²⁶Death is the last enemy to be done away with. ²⁷Certainly, "he has put all things in subjection under his feet." Now when it says that all things have been put in subjection, obviously that does not include the one who subjected all things to him. ²⁸But when all things have been subjected to him, then the Son himself will also be subjected to the one who subjected all things to him, in order that God may be all in all.

Verse of the Day

(Revelation 22:13)

Alleluia. I am the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia.

Gospel

Matthew 27:27-31

The same head now crowned as Lord of all was once crowned with thorns

Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole cohort of soldiers around him. ²⁸They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him. ²⁹They twisted together a crown of thorns and put it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand, knelt in front of him, and mocked him by saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" ³⁰They spit on him, took the staff, and hit him repeatedly on his head. ³¹After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

After the Gospel

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you, O Christ!

Hymn of the Day

The King Will Come At Ages End
Christian Worship Sup. 731

Brass Introduction

♪ **The King will come at age's end,
The trumpets trill, the heavens rend,
Unveiling new Jerusalem. Alleluia!**

**2. The book of life will name its names,
Each bought by cross's bitter pain,
Each inked in blood and sealed in flame. Alleluia!**

**3. All-glorious on his gleaming throne,
The King will claim his saints, his own,
And with them dwell and make a home. Alleluia!**

**4. And nights of tears, though late and long,
Will disappear in splendid dawn,
And deeps of death will all be gone. Alleluia!**

**5. Amen, amen! Lord Jesus, come!
My Savior fair, come bear me home.
For you are King of kings alone! Alleluia!**

Sermon

PSALMS

Psalm 47



FOR THE SEASON OF END TIMES

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| Nov 1 | Reformation – Psalm 46 |
| Nov 8 | Last Judgment – Psalm 90 |
| Nov 15 | Saints Triumphant – Psalm 84 |
| Nov 22 | <u>Christ the King</u> – Psalm 47 |

Confession of Faith

Apostles' Creed

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Offering

Moved by God's love in Christ, we offer him our first and best gifts, purely out of thanks to him. Our offerings go to support the gospel ministry of our congregation and our church body, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Today the offerings can be placed on the table as you enter or exit.

Prayer of the Church

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Gracious God and Father, we praise you for the countless blessings, which we receive from your hand: the beauties of creation and the bounties of the earth, the joy of life and the pleasure of friendship, the good of work and the gift of rest, the privilege to share happiness and sorrow with one another. Above all we praise and thank you for your saving Word and for your Son's body and blood, which you give us to eat and to drink in the sacrament. Through these means of grace, you send the Holy Spirit into our hearts and unite us to Jesus and to the whole Christian Church on earth.

Strengthen us through this heavenly food; increase our trust in Christ and our love for one another.

Great God and Lord, without your continuing help we easily waver in our faith, lose courage, and grow careless in our watchfulness. The times and days are perilous. Give us strength to face the evils of each day with fresh

confidence. Open our lips to speak of your grace, and move us to use the gifts that you give us to share your Word of salvation with all people. Protect and prosper the family, the school, the government, and all good institutions that you have established for the benefit of society. Remember in mercy those who are sick and suffering, and bring your healing to troubled homes and lives.

Move us to pray for those in need and to help them with deeds of kindness.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

Now, eternal God and Father, keep us in the saving faith and so enable us to overcome all things through our Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SACRAMENT

Our Lord Jesus has given us a holy supper in which we receive his true body and blood for the forgiveness of sins and the strengthening of our faith. In this supper we celebrate the gift of his redemption, we bear witness to the fellowship we share as confessors of the truth, and we proclaim his death until he comes.

Preface

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is good and right so to do.

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who will soon come again in glory to deliver us forever from this present evil age. Therefore with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

Holy, Holy, Holy

Sanctus

Sung to the tune of CW 19

♪ **O holy, holy, holy Lord God of pow'r and might,
Your glory, earth and heaven In countless ways recite.
Hosanna! Come and save us, Lord God of hosts on high,
And in your grace and mercy Receive our fervent cry.**

**Hosanna in the highest! How truly blest is he
Who in God's name is coming To set his people free!
He comes to bring salvation And with his blood outpoured,
Deliver us from bondage— Hosanna, mighty Lord!**

Prayer of Thanksgiving

Blessed are you, O Lord of heaven and earth. We praise and thank you for sending your Son, Jesus Christ, and we remember the great acts of love through which he has ransomed us from sin, death, and the devil's power.

**By his incarnation, he became one with us.
By his perfect life, he fulfilled your holy will.
By his innocent death, he overcame hell.
By his rising from the grave, he opened heaven.**

Invited by your grace and instructed by your Word, we approach your table with repentant and joyful hearts. Strengthen us through Christ's body and blood, and preserve us in the true faith until we feast with him and all his ransomed people in glory everlasting.

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.

Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my (+) body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me." Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my (+) blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

Amen.

Lamb of God *Agnus Dei*

♪ **Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.**

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us your peace.

Amen.

Distribution

Rock of Ages Lutheran practices close communion. We kindly ask that only members of Rock of Ages Lutheran or another WELS/ELS congregation partake of the sacrament today. If you have questions about becoming a member to partake of the sacrament, please speak to pastor after worship.

After the distribution please stand to sing:

Hymn

Nunc Dimittis (tune of CW 336)

♪ **O Lord, now let your servant Depart in peace, assured:**

For I have seen your promised incarnate, saving Word—

A Light that will enlighten All gloom where Gentiles dwell;

The brilliant, crowning glory Of those in Israel!

Prayer

We give you thanks, O Lord, for the foretaste of the heavenly banquet that you have given us to eat and to drink in this sacrament. Through this gift you have fed our faith, nourished our hope, and strengthened our love. By

your Spirit help us to live as your holy people until that day when you will receive us as your guests at the wedding supper of the Lamb, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

Blessing

Numbers 6:24-26

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.

Amen.

Hymn

Jerusalem the Golden

Christian Worship Supplement 728



1 Je - ru - sa - lem the gold - en, With
2 Oh, sweet and bless - ed coun - try, The
3 The Christ is ev - er with them; The



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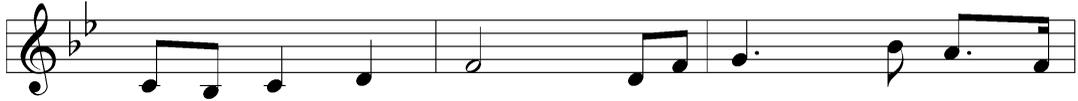
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 Lamb for - ev - er bless - ed, The Light that knows no end.

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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Remember with Prayer

- Doris Strickland's seventeen year-old great granddaughter, also named Doris who is suffering from seizures; that God give healing and help the doctors with providing good treatment so that she can overcome the complications and struggles she faces.

Attendance

11/11 Confirmation Class: 2
11/15 Sunday Worship: 57
11/15 Sunday Bible Class: 13

Received in November \$8,452.82 (as of Nov 9)

Serving This Week

Flowers, Communion Setup: Grace Popelier
Music: Keyboard, Jeni Strickland; 4 For Christ
Presiding Minister: Tom Barthel
Ushers: Jerry Zuvich (9:00), Del Kary (11:15)

CALENDAR

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Sunday, November 22 *Christ the King*
9:00am Service with Lord's Supper
10:05am Bible Study
11:15am Service with Lord's Supper

Wednesday, November 25
2:30pm Youth Confirmation Class

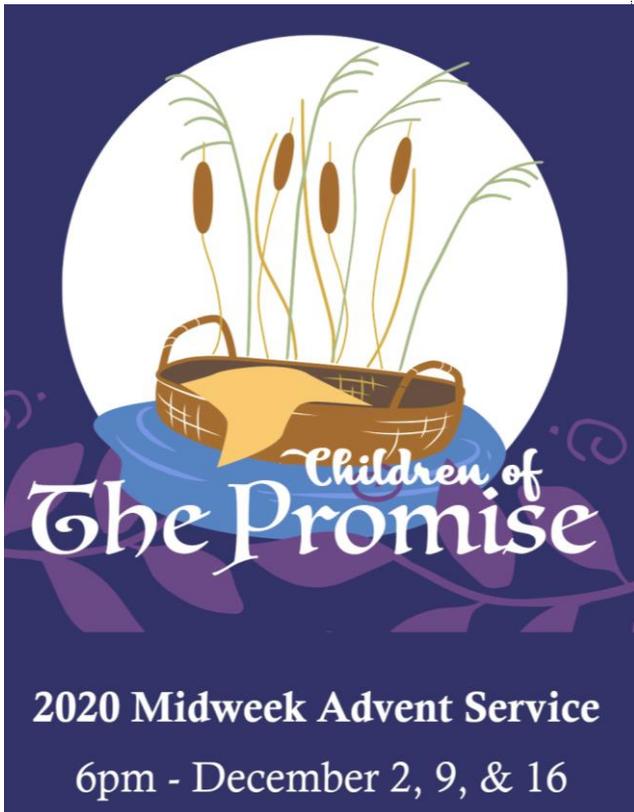
Thursday, November 26 *Thanksgiving Day*
9:00am Thanksgiving Worship

Saturday, November 28
9:00am Christmas Decoration Day

Sunday, November 29 *Advent 1*
9:00am Service
10:05am Bible Study
11:15am Service

Wednesday, December 2
9:00am Elders Meeting
2:30pm Youth Confirmation Class
6:00pm 6pm Midweek Advent Service

Sunday, December 6 *Advent 2*
9:00am Service
10:05am Bible Study
11:15am Service



Children of
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2020 Midweek Advent Service
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