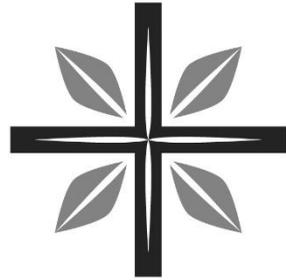


St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church



Welcome to our visitors!

- It is our hope and prayer that the message you hear today from God's Word will fill your heart with the peace that only God can offer and the joy we have in knowing that Jesus Christ is our Savior from sin.
- Large print service folders are available from an usher. Assisted listening devices, including both ear bud and loop receivers for digital hearing aids, are also available from an usher.
- Children's service folders and worship notes are available in the round tract rack in the entry area.
- Parents may take small children into the entry area, mother's room (at the back of the church), or nursery (lower level of church) as needed and follow the worship service on the TV monitor. Changing tables are available in the mother's room and in the room adjacent to the nursery.
- Restrooms are located at the far end of the entry area.
- As the offering is received, members and guests are asked to sign the Friendship Register. Please pass the register to your neighbor and then return it to the center aisle. Visitors are also asked to fill out a guest card and give it to an usher.
- Please join us for Bible class at 9:15 a.m.
The Last Word on End Times. Fellowship Hall, lower level of church
A staffed nursery is available during Bible class.

Christ the King

November 23 & 24, 2019

Promises of the End: You will be with me in paradise.

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Please stand to sing the final stanza

Hail, O Once-Despised Jesus

Christian Worship 351

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son ☩ and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

DIALOGUE FOR CHRIST THE KING

M: Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us in the heavenly realms with every spiritual blessing in Christ.

C: **He made known to us the mystery of his will according to his good pleasure, which he purposed in Christ,**

M: To be put into effect when the times will have reached their fulfillment –

C: **To bring all things in heaven and on earth together under one head, even Christ.**

Ephesians 1:3, 9, 10

M: As sinful creatures, we fail to live under Christ our head and instead assert our own power in our lives. Therefore, 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.

C: **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.**

M: God reconciled all things to himself by making peace through Christ's blood shed on the cross. 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.

C: **Amen.**

M: You have been given fullness in Christ, who is the head over every power and authority. Having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross. *Colossians 2:10, 15*

C: **God placed all things under his feet and appointed him to be head over everything for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills everything in every way.** *Ephesians 1:22, 23*

Congregational Song of Praise

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name
Christian Worship 370

**All hail the pow'r of Jesus' name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.**

**Sinners whose love can ne'er forget the wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.
Go, spread your trophies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.**

**Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this terrestrial ball
To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe and crown him Lord of all.**

Prayer of the Day[†]

M: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

† Prayer of the Day: The Prayer of the Day is a prayer that often focuses on the content of the Gospel or Second (Epistle) Lesson, aiding in the unity of thought throughout the service. This prayer is somewhat poetic and reverent in nature. Many of the Prayers of the Day have deep roots in the history of the Christian Church.

M: Let us pray.
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 on 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.

C: Amen.

Be seated

THE WORD

First Lesson

Genesis 49:8-12

An everlasting King will come from the tribe of Judah.

“Judah, your brothers will praise you;
your hand will be on the neck of your enemies;
your father’s sons will bow down to you.
You are a lion’s cub, O Judah; you return from the prey, my son.
Like a lion he crouches and lies down, like a lioness – who dares to rouse him?
The scepter will not depart from Judah, nor the ruler’s staff from between his feet,
until he comes to whom it belongs and the obedience of the nations is his.
He will tether his donkey to a vine, his colt to the choicest branch;
he will wash his garments in wine, his robes in the blood of grapes.
His eyes will be darker than wine, his teeth whiter than milk.”

Psalm of the Day

Psalm 98 (see pg. 11)

The King will come to judge the nations amid shouts of joy.

Second Lesson

Colossians 1:13-20

Our King has rescued us from the domain of darkness and brought us into his kingdom of light.

For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from

among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Verse of the Day

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

Please stand

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



Gospel

Luke 23:35-43

Though he had done nothing wrong, the King of kings gave up his life so that we might live.

The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One.”

The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.”

There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: “Aren’t you the Christ? Save yourself and us!”

But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence? We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.”

Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

Jesus answered him, “I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise.”



Be seated

Anthem (Sunday)
Adult Handbell Choir

The King Shall Come
arranged by Nancy A. Norman

The King shall come when morning dawns and light triumphant breaks,
When beauty gilds the eastern hills and life to joy awakes –

Not as of old a little child to bear and fight and die,
But crowned with glory like the sun that lights the morning sky.

Oh, brighter than that glorious morn shall dawn upon our race
The day when Christ in splendor comes and we shall see his face.

Hymn of the Day

Not Unto Us
Christian Worship 392

Sermon

Mark 12:41-44

The Eye of the Beholder

Jesus sat down opposite the place where the offerings were put and watched the crowd putting their money into the temple treasury. Many rich people threw in large amounts. But a poor widow came and put in two very small copper coins, worth only a fraction of a penny.

Calling his disciples to him, Jesus said, “I tell you the truth, this poor widow has put more into the treasury than all the others. They all gave out of their wealth; but she, out of her poverty, put in everything – all she had to live on.”

Please stand

Apostles' Creed

C: 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.**

Be seated

Offering

*The members of St. John's have joined together to do the Lord's work
in our community and around the world, and our offerings are
a joyful response of our faith. To submit your offering electronically,
scan the QR code or visit www.sjtosa.org/giving. If you are a visitor today,
you are welcome but not obligated to give an offering.*



Please stand

Prayer of the Church

M: Almighty God, you have invited us to pray and promised to hear the prayers of your people.

C: **We come before you this day in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, to offer you petitions on behalf of ourselves and all in need.**

M: We give you thanks that through your only Son, you have delivered us from death and have raised us up to be people of light. Give us the courage we need to meet the troubled days ahead, and guard us against despair.

C: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

M: As Christ is head of the Church, we call upon you to guard his precious body against all assaults of the enemy. Give us faithful pastors and church workers who will not shrink from faithfulness in time of threat and who will preach your Word in its truth and purity.

C: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

M: In Christ, you have revealed the fullness of your saving will and purpose. As he has forgiven us, teach us to forgive one another, that no conflict or distraction would distract us from the work he has given us to do.

C: **Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.**

Special prayers and intercessions may follow

- M:** According to your promise, be present with us until that day when your Son comes again in glory to judge the world and bring all believers to live with him in the eternal joys of heaven.
- C:** **We ask all this to the glory of your holy name, before which every knee shall bow in heaven and on earth and under the earth. Hear us, Lord Jesus. Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

- C:** **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.**

Be seated

Hymn

Crown Him with Many Crowns

Christian Worship 341

Please stand

- M:** We thank you, Lord Jesus Christ, for bringing us to the end of another church year. As we wait for your glorious return on the last day, bless your Word wherever it is proclaimed, causing it to work with power to bring to faith those who do not yet know you and to strengthen in faith those who now call you Savior and Lord; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C:** **Amen.**
- M:** 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.
- C:** **Amen.**

Be seated

Closing Hymn

There is a Higher Throne (see pg. 12)
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Announcements

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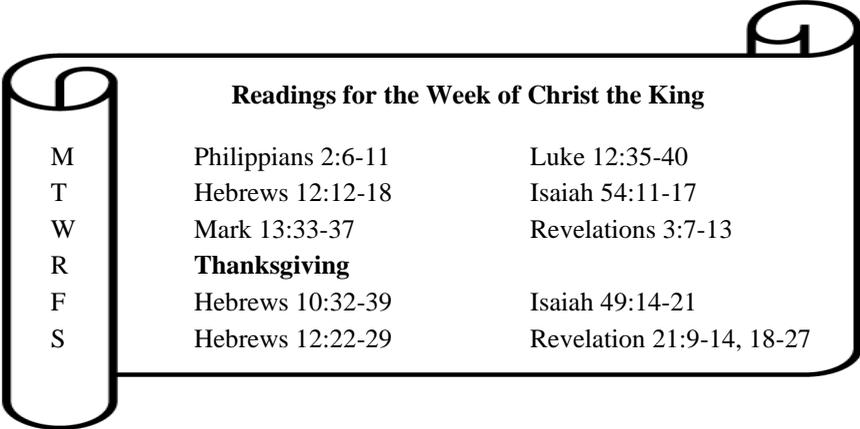
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Readings for the Week of Christ the King		
M	Philippians 2:6-11	Luke 12:35-40
T	Hebrews 12:12-18	Isaiah 54:11-17
W	Mark 13:33-37	Revelations 3:7-13
R	Thanksgiving	
F	Hebrews 10:32-39	Isaiah 49:14-21
S	Hebrews 12:22-29	Revelation 21:9-14, 18-27

Psalm 98

Refrain

Sing to the Lord a new song, for
he has done mar - vel - ous things.

Psalm tone

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Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done marvelous things.

The LORD has made his salvation known
and revealed his righteousness to the nations.

He has remembered his love and his faithfulness to the house of Israel;
all the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. *Refrain*

Shout for joy to the LORD, all the earth,
burst into jubilant song with music;

make music to the LORD with the harp,
with the harp and the sound of singing.

Shout for joy before the LORD, the King.
He will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now, and will be forever. Amen. *Refrain***

END TIME

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There Is a Higher Throne



1 There is a high - er throne than all this
2 And there we'll find our home, our life be -



world has known, Where faith - ful ones from ev - 'ry tongue
fore the throne. We'll hon - or him in per - fect song



will one day come. Be - fore the Son we'll stand,
where we be - long. He'll wipe each tear - stained eye

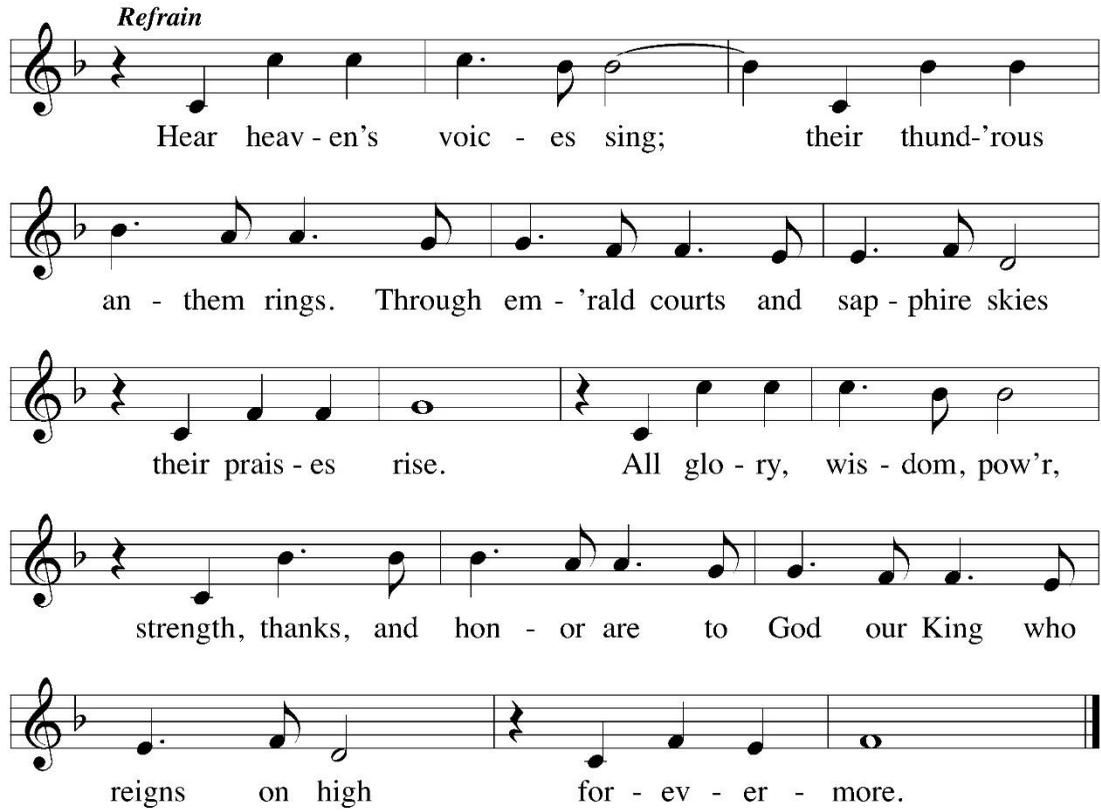


made fault - less through the Lamb; Be - liev - ing
as thirst and hun - ger die. The Lamb be -



hearts find prom - ised grace; sal - va - tion comes.
comes our Shep - herd - King; we'll reign with him.

Refrain



Hear heav - en's voic - es sing; their thund-'rous
 an - them rings. Through em - 'rald courts and sap - phire skies
 their prais - es rise. All glo - ry, wis - dom, pow'r,
 strength, thanks, and hon - or are to God our King who
 reigns on high for - ev - er - more.

The vivid imagery of our Lord's revelation to Saint John is elegantly summarized in this Irish hymn.

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Serving at Worship

Preacher	Pastor Joel Leyrer
Presiding Minister	Seminary Student Eric Zabell (Saturday) Pastor Kyle Bitter (Sunday)
Musicians	Rachel Wendland, piano (Saturday) Dan Schmal, organ (Sunday)
Adult Handbell Choir Director	Kristi Meyer
Greeters	Adam & Jenny Greggs, Mary Rindfleisch, John Frailing (8:00 a.m.) Bruce & Kary Ailey, Brian & Tracey Lampe (10:30 a.m.)
Head Ushers	Matt Bahr (Saturday); Tom Wessel (8:00 a.m.); Doug Knuth (10:30 a.m.)
AV Operators	Jonah & Riley Rindfleisch (8:00 a.m.); Paul Puglisi (10:30 a.m.)

In Our Prayers

- Don and Opal Hackbarth, hospitalized at Community Memorial, Menomonee Falls.
- Deanise Coleman and Jill LaMarche, recovering from knee replacement surgery.
- Mike and Pamela Skocir, upon the safe delivery of their daughter, Abigail Grace, on Tuesday.

Parents' Preview for December 1

The Parents' Preview highlights an aspect of next week's service: a liturgical song, a Psalm refrain, or a hymn stanza. Our hope and prayer is that parents will teach this portion of the service to their children at home during the week so that children can participate more fully in the worship service.

“Savior of the Nations, Come”

Christian Worship 2



1 Sav - ior of the na - tions, come; Vir - gin's
2 Not by hu - man flesh and blood, By the
3 Won - drous birth! O won - drous Child Of the
4 From the Fa - ther's throne he came And as -
5 Praise to God the Fa - ther sing, Praise to



Son, make here your home. Mar - vel now, O
Spir - it of our God Was the Word of
vir - gin un - de - filed, Though by all the
cend - ed to the same, Cap - tive lead - ing
God the Son, our King, Praise to God the



heav'n and earth, That the Lord chose such a birth.
God made flesh, Wo - man's off - spring, pure and fresh.
world dis - owned, Yet to be in heav'n en - throned!
death and hell— High the song of tri - umph swell!
Spir - it be Ev - er and e - ter - nal - ly.

