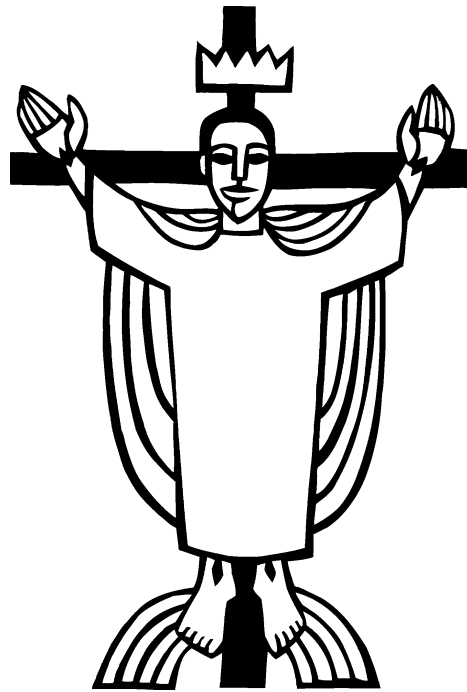


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Fritz Wiese, Senior Pastor Miriam Beecher, Pastor David Beecher, Minister in Music

☐ = Pastor ☑ = Lector [reader] ☒ = Congregation ELW=Evangelical Lutheran Worship (the red hymnal)
⤴ Please stand as you are able.

Christ the King, The Last Sunday after Pentecost

PRELUDE

Welcome to worship! Today's worship includes the sacrament of communion.

Communion is offered by intinction: you may receive a wafer and dip it in the chalice with wine

or white grape juice. Or you may pick up a pre-filled communion "kit" on the altar rail as you approach

the altar. Please tell an usher if you need a communion kit brought to you where you sit. At home you may prepare ahead of time wine/grape juice and bread appropriate for your family. Our liturgy declares we celebrate with "the church on earth and the hosts of heaven."

We acknowledge that communion always connects us "remotely" and powerfully with the Church through time and space.

WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pastor Fritz

EXCHANGING THE PEACE OF THE LORD

⤴ **GATHERING HYMN:** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

ELW Hymn 855

- 1 **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.**
- 3 **Crown him the Lord of love--behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.**
- 4 **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.**
- 5 **Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.**

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, stanzas 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, stanza 4 Text is in Public Domain.

⤴ **GREETING**

- ☐ The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
☒ **And also with you.**

⤴ **PRAYER OF THE DAY**

- ☐ 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. ☒ **Amen.**

FIRST LESSON: Colossians 1:11-20

℣ Our First Lesson is from the letter of Paul to the Christians at Colossae, the fourth chapter.

May 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. and ever. Amen.

℣ Word of God, word of life.

☞ **Thanks be to God.**

↑ **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Rejoice, for Christ Is King!*

ELW Hymn 430

**1 Rejoice, for Christ is king! Your Lord and king adore;
rejoice, give thanks, and sing, and triumph evermore:**

Refrain: Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Text: Text: Charles Wesley, 1707-1788, altered

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↑ **GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43**

℣ The Gospel according to Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

☞ **Glory to you, O Lord.**

When [the soldiers and Jesus] 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. ³⁴Then 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.”

℣ The Gospel of the Lord.

☞ **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

Pastor Fritz

↑ **HYMN OF THE DAY:** *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name*

ELW Hymn 634

**1 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. ►**

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2 **O seed of Israel’s chosen race now ransomed from the fall,
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.**
- 5 **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.**
- 6 **Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at his feet may fall!
We’ll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.
We’ll join the everlasting song and crown him Lord of all.**

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726-1792, stanzas. 1-4; J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, stanzas 5-6

⬆ **OUR PROFESSION OF FAITH: THE APOSTLES’ CREED**

- 📖 Let us confess our baptismal faith together.
- 🗣️ **I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come 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 CHURCH

*When the petition concludes “Hear us, O God,” please respond, “your mercy is great.”
The prayers are ended with these words, “With grateful hearts we commend our spoken and silent prayers
to you, O God; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.”
Please respond, “Amen.”*

OFFERING

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OFFERING HYMN (8:30): O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us

ELW Hymn 431

- 1 **O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our king?
What royal face have you revealed whose praise the church would sing?
Aspiring not to glory’s height, to power, wealth, and fame,
you walked a diff’rent, lowly way, another’s will your aim.**
- 3 **Though some would make their greatness felt and lord it over all,
you said the first must be the last and service be our call.
O Christ in workplace, church, and home, let none to power cling;
for still, through us, you come to serve, a diff’rent kind of king.**
- 4 **You chose a humble human form and shunned the world’s renown;
you died for us upon a cross with thorns your only crown.
But still, beyond the span of years, our glad hosannas ring,
for now at God’s right hand you reign, a diff’rent kind of king!**

OFFERING ANTHEM (11:00)**↑ 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 our thanks and praise.**

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:

C **Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might, heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.**

—ELW page 144

↑ WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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 for the remembrance of me.

↑ THE LORD'S PRAYER

P 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.**

SHARING COMMUNION AT CHURCH or at home with your household

As the pastors and worship team commune, please join them and the whole Church. Please approach the altar using the diagonal aisles and return by the side or middle aisles. You will be offered a wafer, which you may dip in the chalice of wine or white grape juice. You may also choose a packaged cup with wine or grape juice, or a gluten-free wafer with wine. At home commune each other/yourself with these ancient words of promise: "The body of Christ for you" and "The blood of Christ for you."

COMMUNION HYMN: You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

*[All Creation Sings Hymn 954]
Alternate Tune: PRAISE, MY SOUL*

- 1** **You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave. You, peacemaker and sword-bringer of the way you took and gave. You, the everlasting instant; you, whom we both scorn and crave.**
- 2** **Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross, shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss, you, the everlasting instant; you, who are both gift and cost. ►**

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**3 You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side.
You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide.
You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our pilgrim guide.**

**4 Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ!
Worthy your defeat and vict'ry; worthy still your peace and strife.
You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our death and life.**

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↑ **PASTORAL BLESSING and BENEDICTION**

☞ May God, who gives life to all things and frees us from despair, bless you with truth and peace.
And may the holy Trinity, † one God, guide you always in faith, hope, and love.

☞ **Amen.**

↑ **SENDING HYMN: *Soon and Very Soon***

ELW Hymn 439

**1 Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King.**

**2 No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King.**

**3 No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King.**

**4 Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.
Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King.**

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↑ **DISMISSAL**

☞ Go in peace, with God beside you. Invite everyone to Jesus' pathway of joy and life!
☞ **Thanks be to God.**

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