



Christ the King Sunday

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Holy Trinity Evangelical Lutheran Church

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## HOLY TRINITY EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH

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10:00am

### Christ The King Sunday Introduction

*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.*

#### THE PRELUDE

#### \*THE CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ✚ one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever.

**Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

Most merciful God,

**We confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have ignored voices that call for your justice. We have neglected actions that witness to your righteousness. We have spoken and acted in ways that disrupt your beloved community. We truly repent of the things we have done and left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Restore our troubled spirits, so that we may live in newness, follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ.**

**Amen.**

Rejoice and be glad! God hears the prayers of all who cry out and restores us to new life through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

**\*THE GATHERING HYMN: Crown Him with Many Crowns  
#855**

**\* THE 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.

*Refrain*  
Assisting minister



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All



1 Wor- thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

**\* THE 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. Let us pray:

**Amen.**

**The First Lesson: Jeremiah 23:1-6**

<sup>1</sup>Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. <sup>2</sup>Therefore 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. <sup>3</sup>Then 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. <sup>4</sup>I 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. <sup>5</sup>The 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. <sup>6</sup>In 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."

The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**Psalms 46**

<sup>1</sup>God is our refuge and strength,  
a very present help in trouble.  
<sup>2</sup>**Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved,  
and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea;**  
<sup>3</sup>though its waters rage and foam,  
and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.  
<sup>4</sup>**There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God,  
the holy habitation of the Most High.**  
<sup>5</sup>God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken;  
God shall help it at the break of day.

<sup>6</sup>**The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;  
God speaks, and the earth<sup>1</sup> melts away.**

<sup>7</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

<sup>8</sup>**Come now, regard the works of the LORD, what desolations  
God has brought upon the earth;**

<sup>9</sup>behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks  
the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

<sup>10</sup>**“Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among  
the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”**

<sup>11</sup>The LORD of hosts is with us;  
the God of Jacob<sup>1</sup> is our stronghold.

### **The Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20**

<sup>11</sup>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 <sup>12</sup>giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. <sup>13</sup>He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. <sup>15</sup>He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; <sup>16</sup>for 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. <sup>17</sup>He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup>He 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. <sup>19</sup>For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup>and 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.

The Word of the Lord.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

**\* THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** (Sung page #151a)

**C: Alleluia. Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of  
eternal life. Alleluia.**

**\* P:** The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 23rd chapter.

**C: Glory to you, O Lord!**

### **The Gospel: Luke 23: 33-43**

<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 the Lord!

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

### **GOOD NEWS 101**

#### **THE SERMON**

#### **THE HYMN OF THE DAY: Beautiful Savior #838**

#### **THE APOSTLES' CREED**

**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.**

## THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

Lord, in Your Mercy,  
**Receive Our Prayer**

## \* THE PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always,  
**And also with you.**

## THE OFFERING

## SPECIAL MUSIC

## THE OFFERTORY: Let the Vineyards be Fruitful # 184

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord,  
and fill to the brim our cup of blessing.  
Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown,  
that we may be fed with the bread of life.  
Gather the hopes and dreams of all;  
unite them with the prayers we offer.  
Grace our table with your presence,  
and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

## THE MEAL

### • THE OFFERING PRAYER

Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with the sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.  
**Amen.**

\* **THE GREAT THANKSGIVING** (Sung) page 152  
The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
Lift up your hearts.  
**We lift them to the Lord.**  
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.  
**It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

## \* THE PREFACE

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.  
By the witness of your saints  
you show us the hope of our calling  
and strengthen us to run the race set before us,  
that we may delight in your mercy and rejoice with them in glory.  
And so, with all the saints,  
with the choirs of angels and all the hosts of heaven,  
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

\* **THE HOLY, HOLY, HOLY** (Sung) page 153  
**Holy, holy, holy Lord,  
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.**

## \* THE THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

## \* THE 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.

**\* THE INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

Christ spreads a table before you.  
Gather here with all the saints.

**THE LAMB OF GOD** (sung)

page 154

**THE DISTRIBUTION**

**\* THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION**

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.  
**Amen**

**THE SENDING**

**\* THE BLESSING**

The God of Peace,  
Who creates all things and calls them good,  
Who makes us alive in Jesus,  
And who breathes on us the Spirit of hope ✝  
Bless you now and forever.  
**Amen.**

**\*THE SENDING SONG: Soon & Very Soon**

#439

**\* THE DISMISSAL**

Go in peace, Be a blessing in the world.  
**Thanks be to God.**

**THE POSTLUDE**

**Serving Today: November 20**

**Acolyte:** Addison Lee

**Lector:** Danielle Ercolani

**Communion Assistant:** Amber Johnson

**Ushers:** Ron Jernigan & Lynn Haab

**Serving Next Week: November 27**

**Acolyte:** Allyson Schmalz

**Lector:** Lynn Haab

**Ushers:** Steve Anderson & Bonnie Mazza



**Tuesday, November 22 @7pm. Our Sunday School  
Children and Voices That Reign together will lead us  
through a worship service of being thankful.**

**Fellowship will follow the service in the hall, please bring a  
dessert to share.**

***Voices That Reign Christmas***

***Album Coming soon!***

**More details to come about how you  
can purchase one. All proceeds will be  
given to Holy Trinity to help spread the  
Good News of salvation through Our  
Lord and savior Jesus Christ.**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**SUNDAY SERVICES:** Our Sunday morning worship services will continue at 10:00 AM. Services are also streamed live on our Facebook Page.

**THE CHURCH OFFICE** is usually open on Wednesdays and Fridays when Pastor is there. Bonnie will be in the office, Mon 10-2, Wed—Friday 10-2. You can always call and leave a message if you need us.

**SOCIAL MINISTRY OUTREACH** continues with our Phillip the Bucket spare change Loud Offering on the first Sunday of each month. Our Offerings have gone to help those in need in our community. We are also continuing to collect nonperishable food items for St. Luke's Food Pantry.

**GREENING OF THE CHURCH:** Saturday, November 26th @1:00pm. Please come out and help us prepare our church for the Christmas season.

**FELLOWSHIP TIME:** Please join us immediately following worship in the Social hall for refreshments and fellowship. We are looking for dessert type items, if you would like to help out please see sign up sheet on the bulletin board.



**December 11**

**6:30 pm**

**Come out and enjoy a wonderful music Christmas celebration featuring Voices That Reign.**

**Donations at the door will be used to help with our World Hunger Outreach**



**Sunday,  
December 18  
10am**

**We are so glad you worshipped with us today.**

**Our hope is that you have a blessed week and we will see you again next Sunday.**

**If you are visiting and have any questions about Holy Trinity, please ask Pastor Haab, one of our Greeters or any of our wonderful members.**



**Christmas Eve, December 24th**

**7 & 10pm**

**Christmas Day, December 25th**

**10am**