

**Luther Memorial Church** 

# Holy Communion christ the king

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2025 | 10:30 AM

## Welcome!

Please silence your cell phone in the nave.

#### **INCENSE**

Incense will be used this morning during the procession, recession and during the communion liturgy.

#### LIVESTREAM BROADCAST

This service is livestreamed on our website at www.luthermem.org and YouTube. Cameras are installed in the nave, and worshipers may occasionally be visible on this broadcast.

#### **PARKING**

Free parking is available Sundays in the Grainger Hall parking ramp, one block east of the church, off Brooks Street. For closer access, parking is available in the garage under the church off Conklin Place alley.

#### **RESOURCES**

T-coil audio is available in the nave. Ushers can provide hearing assistance and a wheelchair, if needed. Prayer shawls are available in the narthex.

#### **CHILDCARE**

Infants and children are welcome in worship. Changing tables are located in the restrooms. A staffed nursery is available Sundays 9–11:45 am.

#### **LEARN MORE**

If you would like a pastor to call, or want to learn more:

- Please fill out a pew card and place in the offering plate
- Visit us online at www. luthermem.org or Facebook

PRELUDE Fanfare-Procession | T. Frederick H. Candlyn

#### **GATHERING**

Please turn and face the baptismal font at the rear of the nave.

#### P. 227 SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the altar.

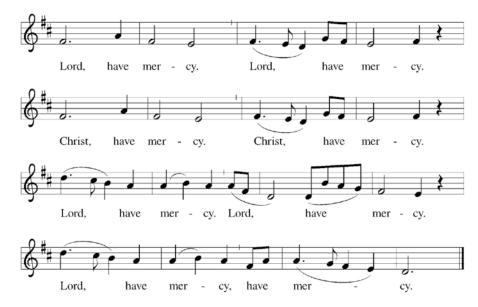
**#634 PROCESSIONAL HYMN** All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

#### **APOSTOLIC GREETING**

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

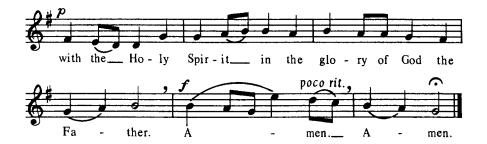
And also with you.

#### **KYRIE**



#### **GLORIA**





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

O Christ our King, 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 rule this world. For you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, now and forever.

Amen.

#### WORD

Please sit.

#### FIRST READING Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. 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. 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. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

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. 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.

Thanks be to God.

#### PSALM 46

The choir sings the antiphon, "I will be exalted among the nations," before and after the psalm. The psalm is sung responsively, beginning with the choir.

God is our ref- | uge and strength, a very present | help in trouble.

## Therefore we will not fear, though the | earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths | of the sea;

though its waters | rage and foam,

and though the mountains tremble | with its tumult.

# There is a river whose streams make glad the cit- | y of God, the holy habitation of | the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall | not be shaken; God shall help it at the | break of day.

#### The nations rage, and the | kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth | melts away.

The Lord of | hosts is with us; the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

### Come now, regard the works | of the Lord,

#### what desolations God has brought up- on the earth;

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.

#### "Be still, then, and know that | I am God;

#### I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted | in the earth."

The Lord of | hosts is with us; the God of Jacob | is our stronghold.

#### **SECOND READING** Colossians 1:11-20

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

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, 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. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. 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. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, 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.

Thanks be to God.

Please rise.

**#432 GOSPEL PROCESSION** The Head That Once Was Crowned (Stanzas 1–3)

**GOSPEL** Luke 23:33-43

#### Glory to you, O Lord.

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. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. 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!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

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

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

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

#### **#432 GOSPEL RECESSION** The Head That Once Was Crowned (*Stanzas 4–6*)

Please sit.

**SERMON** 

Please rise.

**#475 HYMN OF THE DAY** Lord, Enthroned in Heavenly Splendor

#### PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... Lord in your mercy,

Hear our prayer.

#### **PEACE**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Please greet your neighbor: Peace be with you.

#### **MEAL**

Please sit.

**OFFERING** Ain'-a That Good News! | William L. Dawson

I got a crown up in-a the kingdom,

Ain'a that good news!

I'm-a gonna lay down this world,

gonna shoulder up-a my cross.

Gonna take it home-a to my Jesus,

Ain'a that good news!

I got a harp up in-a the kingdom,

Ain'a that good news...

I got a Savior in-a the kingdom,

Ain'a that good news...

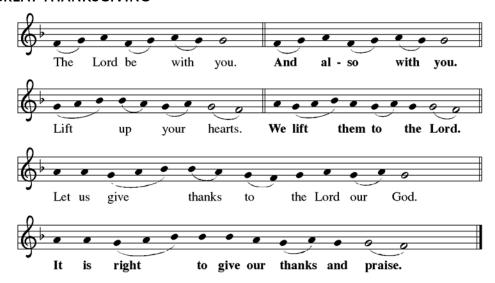
Please rise.

#### **OFFERTORY PRAYER**

Let us pray.

God of all creation, all you have made is good, and your love endures forever. You bring forth bread from the earth and fruit from the vine. Nourish us with these gifts, that we might be for the world signs of your gracious presence in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

#### **GREAT THANKSGIVING**



#### **PROPER PREFACE**

#### **SANCTUS**



#### THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

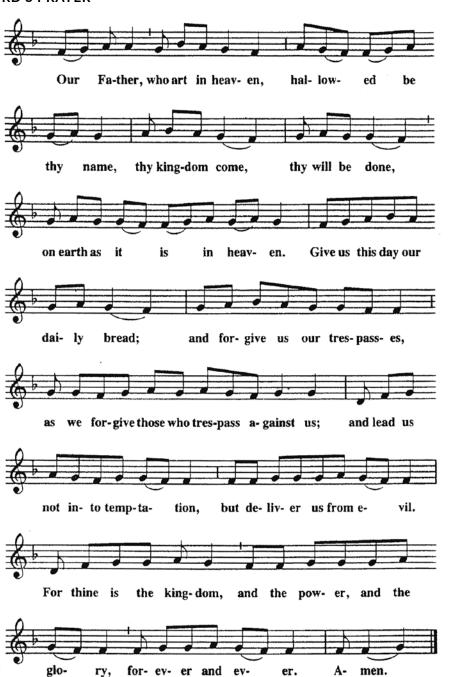
You are indeed holy... until he comes.



Remembering, therefore... now and forever.



#### LORD'S PRAYER

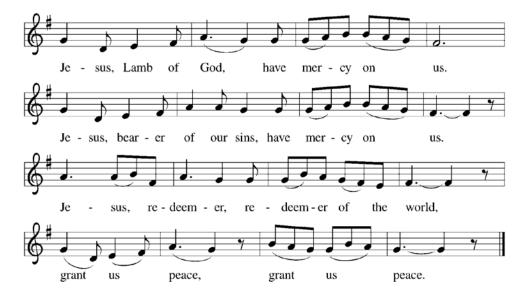


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#### Please sit.

#### **AGNUS DEI**



#### THE COMMUNION

All baptized Christians are welcomed to receive Holy Communion. We receive the Body of Christ (bread\*) in our open hands. Christ is fully present in both bread and cup. The Blood of Christ (wine) may be received in any of three ways: by drinking from the first chalice, by dipping the bread (intinction) into the chalice, or by drinking from an individual glass poured from a second chalice. \*Gluten-free bread is available on request.

MUSIC AT THE COMMUNION Meditation on "The Head That Once Was Crowned" | Gary Lewis

#### **#343 COMMUNION HYMN** My Song Is Love Unknown

Please rise.

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

O God, we give you thanks that you have set before us this feast, the body and blood of your Son. By your spirit strengthen us to serve all in need and to give ourselves away as bread for the hungry, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

#### **SENDING**

#### **BLESSING**

Almighty God, Father, † Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.

Amen.

Please turn and face the cross as the procession approaches the font.

#### #855 RECESSIONAL HYMN Crown Him with Many Crowns

## DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.** 

POSTLUDE Crown Imperial | William Walton (Abbr.)

# TODAY FROM THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH

Blessed are all Thy saints, my God and King, who have traveled over the tempestuous sea of mortality, and have at last made the desired port of peace and felicity. Oh, cast a gracious eye upon us who are still in our dangerous voyage. Remember and succour us in our distress, and think on them that lie exposed to the rough storms of troubles and temptations. Grant, O Lord, that we may bring our vessel safe to shore, unto our desired haven. Amen.

Augustine, Bishop of Hippo (354–430)

#### **SERVING TODAY**

PRESIDER Pastor Brad Pohlman

**PREACHER** Pastor John Worzala Dumke

**ORGANIST** Gary Lewis

ACOLYTES Berkeley Worzala Dumke

ASSISTING MINISTER Margaret Szczykutowicz

COMMUNION ASSISTANTS Heidi Notbohm, Derren Slinde, Corbin Slinde

**CRUCIFER** Finn Rothenberg

**LECTOR** Deb Raasch

SACRISTAN Randy Raasch

AUDIO David Heins

VIDEO Lee Powell

**USHERS** Eric Oelkers, Casey Oelkers, Dylan Oelkers, Jeff Van Fleet

Today's music setting is from Franz Schubert's German Mass.

Baptized today is Bhanwar Malviya, sponsored by NAME & NAME.

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