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Service of Holy Communion—*Lutheran Book of Worship*, Setting II

Christ the King, November 24, 2024

In-Person at 10:15 am & Live at Facebook.com/TrinityLutheranNH

PRELUDE

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

TEMPLE TALK

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

The sign of the cross may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.

In the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the ✝ Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: *"The Church's One Foundation"* **LBW No. 369**

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

In peace, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

Lord, have mercy.

Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

Amen

HYMN OF PRAISE

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.**

**Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
and honor and blessing and glory are his.**

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Sing with all the people of God,
and join in the hymn of all creation:**

**Blessing and honor and glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.**

**This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.**

Alleluia. Alleluia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things to your beloved Son, whom you anointed priest forever and king of all creation: Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united under the glorious and gentle rule of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen

FIRST LESSON: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

To Daniel's community it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: It shall end. The Ancient One, who is judge, will call all nations to account and will give dominion to "one like a Son of Man," Christ himself.

⁹ As I watched,
 thrones were set in place,
 and an Ancient One took his throne,
 his clothing was white as snow,
 and the hair of his head like pure wool;
 his throne was fiery flames,
 and its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰ A stream of fire issued
 and flowed out from his presence.
 A thousand thousands served him,
 and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.
 The court sat in judgment,
 and the books were opened.

¹³ As I watched in the night visions,
 I saw one like a human being
 coming with the clouds of heaven.
 And he came to the Ancient One
 and was presented before him.

¹⁴ To him was given dominion
 and glory and kingship,
 that all peoples, nations, and languages
 should serve him.
 His dominion is an everlasting dominion
 that shall not pass away,
 and his kingship is one
 that shall never be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM 93

¹ The LORD is king; he has put on splen- | did apparel;*
 the LORD has put on his apparel and girded him- | self with strength.

² **He has made the whole | world so sure***
that it can- | not be moved;

³ ever since the world began, your throne has | been established;*
 you are from | everlasting.

⁴ **The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted | up their voice;*
 the waters have lifted up their | pounding waves.**

⁵ Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers | of the sea,*
 mightier is the LORD who | dwells on high.

⁶ **Your testimonies are | very sure,*
 and holiness adorns your house, O LORD, forever and for- | evermore.**

Gloria Patri (chanted after the psalm)**Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the / Holy Spirit;****As it was in the beginning, is now, and will be fore-/ ver. Amen****SECOND LESSON: Revelation 1:4b-8***The book of Revelation begins by celebrating God Almighty, who spans all of time.**Similarly, Jesus Christ is celebrated as the firstborn from the dead who rules over the world's rulers. He is the one whose return we eagerly await.*

^{4b} Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION/ALLELUIA**Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?****You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia. Alleluia.****GOSPEL: John 18:33-37**

The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 18th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus before Pontius Pilate is paradoxically a king since, rather than exert his own dominion over others, he testifies to the truth of God. His trial before Pilate is part of the way of the cross: the true king will reign on the cross.

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴ Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵ Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶ Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷ Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN OF THE DAY: *"Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending"* **LBW No. 27**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SERMON

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**We believe in one God,
 the Father, the Almighty,
 maker of heaven and earth,
 of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
 the only Son of God,
 eternally begotten of the Father,
 God from God, Light from Light,
 true God from true God,
 begotten, not made,
 of one Being with the Father.
 Through him all things were made.
 For us and for our salvation
 he came down from heaven;
 by the power of the Holy Spirit
 he became incarnate from the virgin Mary,
 and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
 he suffered death and was buried.
 On the third day he rose again
 in accordance with the Scriptures;
 he ascended into heaven
 and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
 He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
 and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
 With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
 He has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
 We acknowledge one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
 We look for the resurrection of the dead,
 and the life of the world to come. Amen**

THE PRAYERS

D: In our prayers today and this week, please remember: [prayer list]. We also invite your own petitions either aloud or silently in your hearts.

P: Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus...

Almighty God, you have made your Son King of creation and head of your holy Church. Bind your Church to Christ with cords of love; make it steadfast in faith and witness to him; and use it to draw all people to his Cross, there to acclaim him as our King. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

In this time of Thanksgiving we remember that your generous goodness comes to us new every day. By the work of your Spirit lead us to acknowledge your goodness, give thanks for all your benefits, and serve you always in willing obedience. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You have made your Son King of the nations. By your Holy Spirit conform the hearts of rulers and people to the heart of Christ, that he might be served especially in the poor, the vulnerable, and the needy. Bind up the wounds of the nations, and let your strong arm defend all who serve and protect others here and abroad. Have mercy on us all, and bring about your Son's reign of endless peace. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

You have made your Son fairer than sunlight, stars, or woodlands. Let his healing and compassion cause all sorrowing hearts to sing, especially the sick, the troubled, the heavy-burdened, and all we have named before you or remember before you now. Deliver them from their afflictions, grant them your peace, and restore them to fellowship with all who love them. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Heavenly Father, you have made your Son to shine more brightly than all of heaven's angels. We thank you for the lives of our loved ones and for all the faithful departed who now see his glory face to face. Fill us with such faith and love, that, at the last, we may join all your saints in worshipping Christ our King forever. Lord, in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, O Lord...

PEACE

OFFERING *The ushers collect the offering. You can also give electronically through our website, Facebook page, or by [clicking here](#).*

CHOIR ANTHEM: *"Christ is the World's True Light"* Percy E.B. Collier

OFFERTORY: *"Let the Vineyards"*

OFFERTORY PRAYER

D: Let us pray...

Merciful Father,

We offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY**EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER****LORD'S PRAYER****LAMB OF GOD**

THE COMMUNION *To all who believe in Jesus Christ as their Lord, are baptized, and confess Jesus' real presence in the Holy Communion, we invite you to join us in the Holy Eucharist. At the usher's invitation you may come forward to kneel or stand at the altar rail. Please take an empty individual cup from the tray and bring it with you to the rail. The host wafer will be placed into your open hands to eat. Your cup will be filled from the pouring chalice, take and drink. Individual cups filled with non-alcoholic grape juice are also available, please point to receive one. Sealed pre-consecrated Communion packages are also available. Please remain at the altar rail until all have finished and a blessing is given.*

COMMUNION HYMNS: LBW No. 173, WOV (Blue) No. 701**POST-COMMUNION BLESSING**

The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.
Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE: "Thank the Lord"**POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

D: Let us pray...

Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen**

BLESSING

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

RECESSIONAL HYMN: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" LBW No. 170**DISMISSAL**

D: Go in Peace, Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE