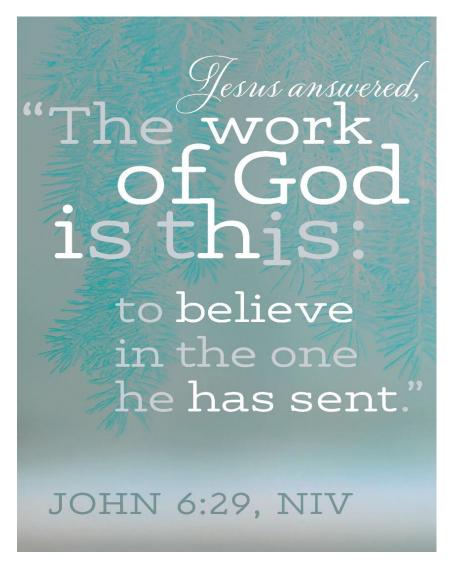
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Christ the King November 20, 2022

PRELUDE Please gather in silence to prepare for worship

Stand

GATHERING HYMN



Text: Charles Wesley, 1707–1788, alt. Music: LAUS REGIS, William E. Fischer, 1849–1936

BRIEF ORDER FOR CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

- P In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
- C Amen.
- P Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thought 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.
- C Amen.
- P 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.

Please kneel, sit or stand

- P Most Merciful God,
- C 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.
- P 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.
- C Amen.

Stand

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.

KYRIE



HYMN OF PRAISE

812 Glory Be to the Father



Be seated

PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Pastoral Prayer
- C Amen.

FIRST READING: MALACHI 3:13-18

- ¹³ "You have spoken arrogantly against me," says the LORD.
- "Yet you ask, 'What have we said against you?'
- ¹⁴ "You have said, 'It is futile to serve God. What do we gain by carrying out his requirements and going about like mourners before the LORD Almighty? ¹⁵ But now we call the arrogant blessed. Certainly evildoers prosper, and even when they put God to the test, they get away with it."
- ¹⁶ Then those who feared the LORD talked with each other, and the LORD listened and heard. A scroll of remembrance was written in his presence concerning those who feared the LORD and honored his name.
- ¹⁷ "On the day when I act," says the LORD Almighty, "they will be my treasured possession. I will spare them, just as a father has compassion and spares his son who serves him. ¹⁸ And you will again see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between those who serve God and those who do not.
- R The word of the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.

PSALM 95:1-7a

- R ¹ Come, let us sing for joy to the LORD; let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.
- C ² Let us come before him with thanksgiving and extol him with music and song.
 - ³ For the LORD is the great God, the great King above all gods.
 - ⁴ In his hand are the depths of the earth, and the mountain peaks belong to him.
 - ⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, and his hands formed the dry land.

⁶ Come, let us bow down in worship, let us kneel before the LORD our Maker;

⁷ for he is our God and we are the people of his pasture, the flock under his care.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:13-20

¹³ For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵ The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ 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. ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ 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.

R The word of the Lord.

C Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



GOSPEL: LUKE 23:27-43

- P The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the 23rd chapter.
- C Glory to you, O Lord.
- ²⁷ A large number of people followed him, including women who mourned and wailed for him. ²⁸ Jesus turned and said to them, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹ For the time will come when you will say,
- 'Blessed are the childless women, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!' 30 Then
- "they will say to the mountains, "Fall on us!" and to the hills, "Cover us!"
- ³¹ For if people do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?"
- ³² Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. ³³ When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴ Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.
- ³⁵ The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One."
- ³⁶ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷ and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."
- ³⁸ There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

- ³⁹ One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"
- ⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."
- ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
- ⁴³ Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."
- P The Gospel of the Lord.
- C Praise to you, O Christ.

Be seated
SERMON
Moment of silent reflection after sermon

Pastor Phil Hohulin



There Is a Redeemer 308



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AFFIRMATION OF FAITH: APOSTLES' CREED

C I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried. He descended into hell. On the third day he rose again. He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again 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.

Kneel/sit/stand

THE PRAYERS

- A Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their need:
- A Lord God, ruler of all, you have called us from among the peoples and nations of the world to be your own. We praise you for the love that you have shown us by setting us apart for your service. By your Spirit, help us to live as people who are *in* but not *of* the world, that we may be light to the nations, so that through us, you may draw all people to yourself. Especially we pray for the ministry of H20 at Wright State. Through them, draw students to faithful discipleship. Lord in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

Almighty God, enable us to put off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light, as we live each day of this mortal life. May your Son, Jesus Christ, keep us in true faith, so that on the last day, when he comes again in glorious majesty to judge the living and the dead, we may be raised to life everlasting to live with him forever. Lord in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

Lord of Glory, Light of all lights, you give light to those who sit in darkness. We lift up those without homes or jobs, those who are dying, those who long for forgiveness, and the sick, suffering, and grieving. [We lift before you, today, the names of ...]. Bestow on them your light and your peace. Lord in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

Christ the King, the one true sovereign, grant your wisdom to all elected representatives of our republic. Protect them from corruption and temptation. Conform their wills to yours and lend them courage to lead according to your statutes. Enable them to ensure the unalienable rights of life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness to all, from first heartbeat to last. Lord in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

Head of the church, bless the leaders of our denomination: our bishop Dan Selbo; his assistants Amy, Brad, David, Gemechas, Phillip, Andrew; and the staff and faculty of our North American Lutheran Seminary. Raise up a new generation of pastors to shepherd your flock. Enhance the missional efforts of all congregations that faithfully proclaim your word. Lord in your mercy.

C Hear our prayer.

- P Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.
- C Amen

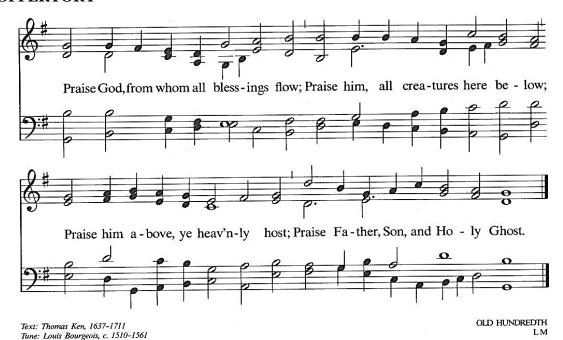
Stand

PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us share a sign of Christ's peace.

Be seated OFFERING

OFFERTORY

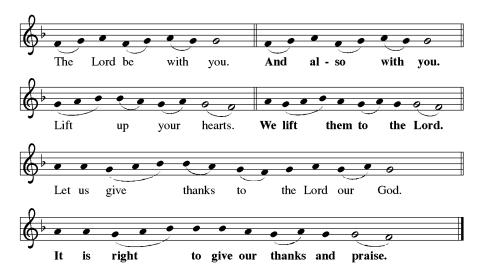


OFFERTORY PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C Blessed are you, O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

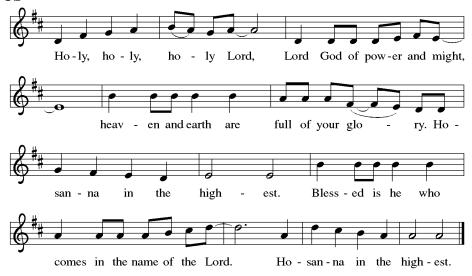
DIALOGUE



PREFACE

P It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, Holy Father, almighty and ever living God. For you are the source of light and life, you made us in your image, and called us to new life in Jesus Christ our Lord. 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.

SANCTUS



THANKSGIVING

P Blessed are you, Lord of heaven and earth.
In mercy for our fallen world you gave your only Son, that all those who believe in him should not perish, but have eternal life. We give thanks to you for the salvation you have prepared for us through Jesus Christ.

Send now your Holy Spirit into our hearts, that we may receive our Lord with a living faith as he comes to us in his holy supper.

C Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

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.

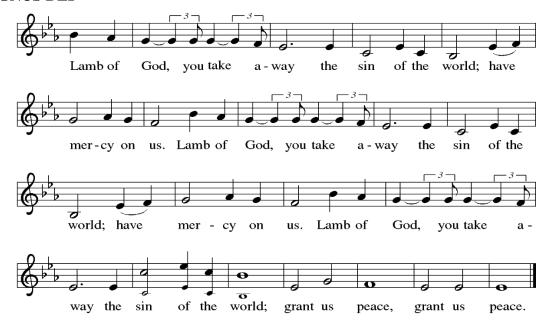
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

LORD'S PRAYER

- P Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray:
- 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.

AGNUS DEI



COMMUNION

*White grape juice is in the center of each communion tray. Gluten-free wafers available at the rail upon request.

We believe that Holy Communion is the sacrament of the real presence of Our Lord Jesus Christ. As we partake of the *bread and the *wine, we trust Jesus' promise that we receive His Body and Blood for the forgiveness of sin and strength to service in our lives. If you are a baptized and repentant Christian who desires to commune with us, you are thereby publicly declaring your oneness in faith with us, and you too recognize the Lord's Body and Blood as fulfilling God's Covenant of Grace for us.

The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.

The communicant may say: Amen.

Stand

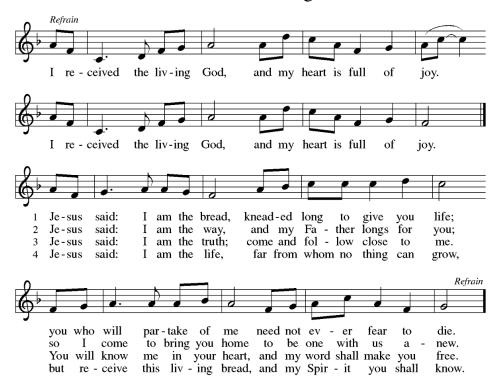
PRAYER

A Let us pray.

C Gracious God, in this meal you have drawn our hearts to yours, and nourished us at your table with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ. Now send us forth in the power of your Holy Spirit to be your people in the world, and to proclaim your truth this day and evermore, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

HYMN OF THANKSGIVING (Vs 3 Only)

I Received the Living God



Text: Anonymous

Music: LIVING GOD, Anonymous

BLESSING

P The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make His face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

SENDING HYMN

794 Let All Things Now Living



TEXT: Katherine K. Davis

MUSIC: Traditional Welsh Melody; Descant by Tom Fettke

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DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God. Alleluia!



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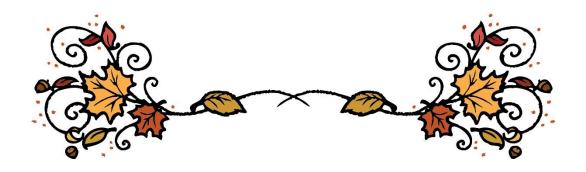
Communion Servers

Don Stamm & Pam Mehlhorn

	Assistant Minister	Lector	<u>Nursery</u>
Nov 6	Shirley Schryver	Steve Hedlund	Kylene & Debbie
Nov 13	Joe Costantino	Nancy Oliver	Deborah & Debbie
Nov 20	Sandy Rice	John Jackson	Cynthia & Debbie
Nov 27	N'Anne Knight	Steve Gross	Annemarie & Debbie

Sunday School

Young Learners (Prek—K)		Disciples (Early Elementary)	
Nov 6	Roseann & Susan	Jean	
Nov 13	Mechelle & Ava	Julie	
Nov 20	Diane & N'Anne	Lea	
Nov 27	No Class	No Class	





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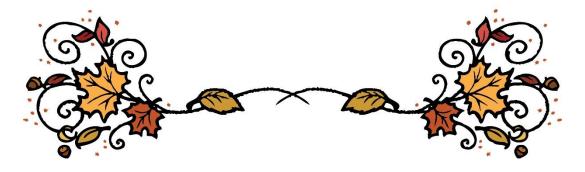
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As a congregation of the *North American Lutheran Church* we are guided by four core values:

- 1. Christ Centered
- 2. Mission Driven
- 3. Traditionally Grounded
- 4. Congregationally Focused



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