



Grace Lutheran
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To glorify God, to grow in faith,
to give in service, together in Christ

November 24, 2024
27th Sunday after Pentecost
Christ The King

Rev. Nancy M. Raabe, Pastor
Deacon Bruce W. Tonkin, Interim Minister of Music
Pat Keen, Organist
Annette Dittman, Director of Youth Ministries
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Israel longed for a true king to lead them. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah). He would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him.

Prelude:

8:00 am, Blest Are They

10:30 am, Life is Like a Mountain Railway

Cathy Farrell, Lou Marucci, Harold Schaefer

Setting Honore

Charlie D. Tillman

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
our refuge,
our delight,
our beginning and our end.

Amen.

Let us come in truth before the one who loves us
and has freed us from our sin.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,
**we confess that sin has taken hold of us
and we are complicit in its power.**

We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest.

Unbind us and set us free.

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth,
that we may live just and generous lives
for the good of your world
and the care of our neighbors,
following in the servant way of Jesus.**

Amen.

These words are trustworthy and true:
Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross,
swallowing up death forever.

For his sake, you are † forgiven
and God remembers your sin no more.

Let your heart be glad again,
and rejoice in your salvation. **Amen.**



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.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: Praise Ye the Lord (Psalm 150)

Congregation: Refrain; Cantor: Verses



Praise ye the Lord, hal-le-lu-jah! Ev-'ry-bod-y, praise the Lord.

1 Praise God with the sound of the trumpet;
praise God with the lute and the harp;
praise God with the timbrel and dancing;
praise God wherever you are. *Refrain*

3 Praise God in the holy temple;
praise God for almighty deeds;
praise God for those bountiful mercies;
for God fulfills our needs. *Refrain*

2 Praise God with holy cymbals;
praise God with strings and with pipes;
praise God with clashing cymbals;
praise God with all of your might. *Refrain*

4 Praise God on top of the mountains;
praise God both day and night;
praise God down in the low valleys;
praise God because it's all right. *Refrain*

Prayer of the Day

P. Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C. Amen

First Reading: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

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.

Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

Psalm 93

Refrain



Ev - er since the world be - gan, your throne has been es - tab-lished.



¹The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and | armed with strength.

The LORD has made the world so sure that it can- | not be moved.

²**Ever since the world began, your throne has | been established;
you are from | everlasting. R**

³The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted | up their voice;
the waters have lifted up their | pounding waves.

⁴**Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers | of
the sea,
mightier is the LORD who | dwells on high.**

⁵Your testimonies are | very sure,
and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and for- | evermore. **R**

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8

^{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, ⁵and 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, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! 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.

Word of God, word of life.

C. Thanks be to God.

Children’s Message

Annette Dittman

Please stand.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW Setting 10



Al - le - lu - ia! Lord and Sav - ior: o - pen now your sav - ing word.
Let it burn like fire with - in us; speak un - til our hearts are stirred.
Al - le - lu - ia! Lord, we sing for the good news that you bring.

Gospel: John 18:33-37

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

C. Glory to you, O Lord.

³³ 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.”

P. The gospel of the Lord. **C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

Please be seated.

Sermon: In the world but not of the world

Pastor Nancy Raabe

HYMN of the DAY: Beautiful Savior

ELW 430

PRAYERS

To the petition “Merciful God,” please respond, “Receive our prayer.”

GREETING OF THE PEACE

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



Please be seated.

OFFERING

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Music at the Offering:

8:00 am, O Lord, Thou Art My God & King

10:30 am, *Grace Choir:* Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Broughton

H. Hopson

Please stand.

The offering is brought forward as the Offertory is sung.

OFFERTORY: All You Works of God

Stephen P. Starke

1 All you works of God, bless the Lord!
All you angels, now bless the Lord;
come you heavens and powers that be,
praise the Lord and his majesty:

Chorus

Raise your voices high, praise and
magnify,
all you works of God, bless the Lord!

2 Bless the Lord, all you pure of heart;
all you humble, his praise impart;
God the Father and Son adore,
bless the Spirit forevermore! **Chorus**

OFFERING PRAYER

A. Let us pray.

Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,
you offered yourself in love for the world,
and in this meal you nourish us with your life.
Fill us with your abundance,
that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger,
trusting in your name.

C. Amen.

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 God thanks and praise.



P. It is indeed right, our duty and our joy....

....we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

ELW Setting 10



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and might,



heav'n and earth are full of your glo-ry. Ho-san - na in the high - est.



Bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho -



san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est.

In the night in which he was betrayed...

P. For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

C. Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

Our Father, who art in heaven....

Invitation to Communion

Behold, God is making all things new.

Take your place in the new creation.

Please be seated.

LAMB OF GOD

WOV Setting 5



☞ Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Music during communion: The Goodness of God

Bethel Music and Jenn Johnson

Cathy Farrell, Lou Marucci, Harold Schaefer

Please stand.

TABLE BLESSING

P. The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

A. Faithful God,
you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink
in the body and blood of your Son.
Now send us out to labor with you,
in service to the world you have made,
and among the people you have made your home,
in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
C. Amen.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please stand.

BENEDICTION

The Ancient One, enthroned,
the Crucified One, now risen,
the Indwelling One, poured out,
✠ bless you now and forever. **Amen.**



SENDING HYMN: Soon and Very Soon

ELW 439

DISMISSAL

P. Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.
C. Thanks be to God.

**Postlude: 8:00 am, A Joyous Song of Praise
10:30 am, Final from Symphony #1**

**Wesley
L. Vierne**

Serving today – Thank You!!

Preacher and Presider: Rev. Nancy Raabe
Organist: 8:00, Pat Keen;
10:30, Deacon Bruce Tonkin
Lector: 8:00, K. Seiler; 10:30, J. Shaffer
Ushers: 8:00, The Walters;
10:30, The Sluggs
Communion Asst: 8:00, K. Seiler;
10:30, B. Hess
Altar Guild: 8:00, L. Kratz;

10:30, E. Woltmann
Acolyte: 8:00, Usher; 10:30, Usher
Coffee Hour: Ken & Karen Seiler
Council Offering & Lockup:
8:00, W. Walter; 10:30, C. Farrell
Video Team: Harold Schaefer, Dan &
Tami Sarm, Jayson Tula

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The annual Budget Meeting will be held
at 11:30 on December 8. Please plan to attend.

Pastoral Care If you are ill, seeking pastoral care or need a helping hand for any reason, please contact Pastor Raabe through the office. Talk with her about prayer requests, illnesses, hospital stays, weddings, funerals, baptisms, and the joys in your life.



COFFEE HOUR is served in the **FELLOWSHIP HALL** each Sunday. Please join us for coffee, tasty snacks, and conversation. Also, the nursery is available for parents and children; please make use of the “Busy Bags” for young children.

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Deck the Halls at our **Christmas Decorating Party** on Sunday, December 1 from 2-4 p.m.! We start in Fellowship Hall with crafts, cookies, hot chocolate and carols, then move into the sanctuary to decorate. Fa la la la....



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