



November 24, 2024
Christ the King
8:00 & 10:30 a.m. Worship Services w/Holy Communion

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Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. 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. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

GATHERING

The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.

Congregation reads **BOLD**

Bell

Announcements

Prelude: *Oh, Worship the King*
-Friendship Ringers

-arr. Sandra Eithum

All who are able are invited to stand

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.

Gathering Song

Lift High the Cross

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro - claim till

all the world a - dore his sa - cred name.

1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our cap - tain trod,
2 All new - born ser - vants of the Cru - ci - fied
3 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious tree,
4 So shall our song of tri - umph ev - er be:

Refrain

our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.
bear on their brows the seal of him who died.
as thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to thee.
praise to the Cru - ci - fied for vic - to - ry!

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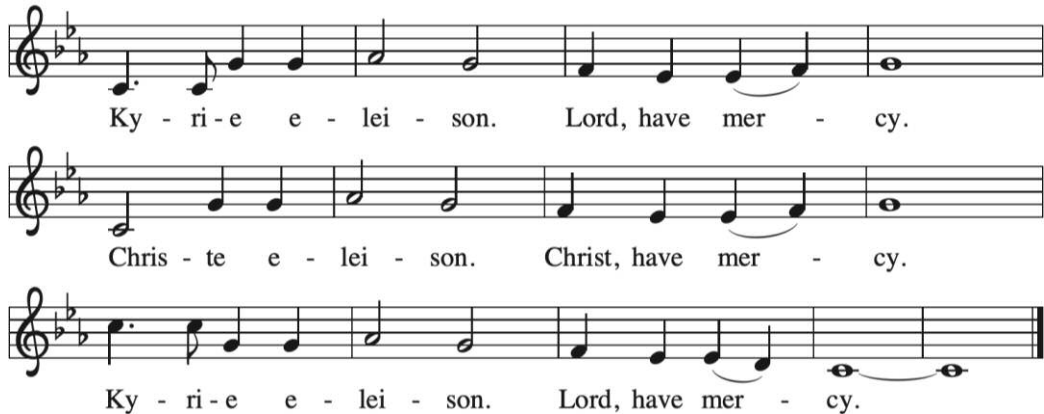
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Greeting

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

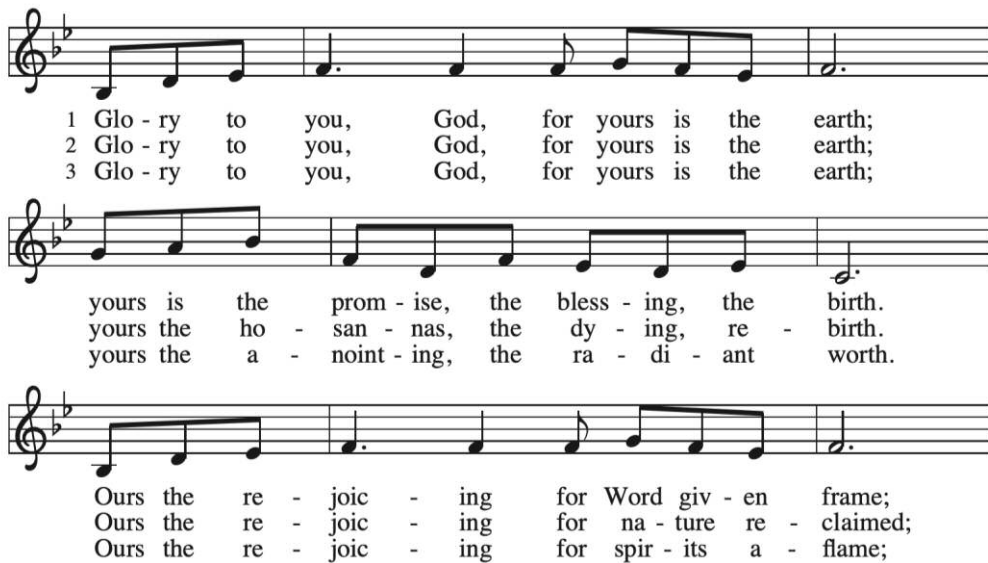


Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Chris - te e - lei - son. Christ, have mer - cy.

Ky - ri - e e - lei - son. Lord, have mer - cy.

Hymn of Praise



1 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
2 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;
3 Glo - ry to you, God, for yours is the earth;

yours is the prom - ise, the bless - ing, the birth.
yours the ho - san - nas, the dy - ing, re - birth.
yours the a - noint - ing, the ra - di - ant worth.

Ours the re - joic - ing for Word giv - en frame;
Ours the re - joic - ing for na - ture re - claimed;
Ours the re - joic - ing for spir - its a - flame;

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ours the thanks - giv - ing to your ho - ly name.

Ours be the tell - ing of deeds great - ly done;

yours be the glo - ry, O God, yours a - lone.

Prayer of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

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.

Amen.

WORD

*God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.
All may be seated*

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

To the community for whom this passage was written, 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 human being," the Messiah.

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: Psalm 93 (read responsively – congregation reads bold)

Ever since the world began, your throne has been established. (Ps. 93:2)

¹ The Lord is king, robed in majesty; the Lord is robed in majesty and ^l armed with strength.

The Lord has made the world so sure that it can- ^l not be moved.

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

³ The waters have lifted up, O Lord, the waters have lifted ^l up their voice;
the waters have lifted up their ^l pounding waves.

⁴ **Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers ^l of the sea,
mightier is the Lord who ^l dwells on high.**

⁵ Your testimonies are ^l very sure,
and holiness befits your house, O Lord, forever and for- ^l evermore.

Second Reading: Revelation 1:4b-8

The book of Revelation begins by celebrating the Almighty God, who spans all of time. Similarly, Jesus 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.

All who are able are invited to stand

Gospel Acclamation



Al-le-lu - ia, al - le-lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

Repeat alleluia



Our hearts burn with - in us as you open to us the scriptures.

Gospel Announcement

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

Glory to you, O Lord.

The Holy Gospel: John 18:33-37

In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.

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." *The Gospel of the Lord.*

Praise to you, O Christ.

All may be seated

Children's Sermon

Sermon

All who are able are invited to stand

Hymn of the Day

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us

1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our
 2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for -
 3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver
 4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re -

king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose
 give, to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that
 all, you said the first must be the last and
 nown; you died for us up - on a cross with

praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to
 we might rise and live. To break the law of
 ser - vice be our call. O Christ, in work - place,
 thorns your on - ly crown. But still, be - yond the

glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you
 death you came, the law of love to bring; a
 church, and home, let none to pow - er cling; for
 span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring, for

walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.
 dif - f'rent rule of righ - teous - ness, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 still, through us, you come to serve, a dif - f'rent kind of king.
 now at God's right hand you reign, a dif - f'rent kind of king!

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Apostles' Creed

In the words of the Apostles' Creed, let us confess our faith:

**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.**

Prayers of Intercession

Rooted in God's abundant love for the world, let us pray for our neighbors, the church, and all of creation.

A brief silence.

Revive our congregations, synods, and national church body to reflect the love, justice, and kinship of your kingdom. Raise up diverse leaders who teach and serve your people.

Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Nourish parched lands and bring relief to flooded places. Protect wildlife habitats and endangered species, that the chorus of creation's praise resounds with joy. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Grant wisdom to the leaders who govern, legislate, and deliberate on our behalf. Advance your nonviolent reign of justice-seeking love through their work. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Remind us of your enduring love in all seasons. Guide the planning efforts of worship leaders and volunteers who usher our congregation into a meaningful Advent. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Draw near to those who are detained, on trial, or incarcerated. Transform systems of retribution into systems of reconciliation and restoration. Empower activists who advocate for change. Stay close to those who are ill, hospitalized, or undergoing treatment *especially Lisa, Herb, Madison, Hailey, Ed, Rosie, Shirley, Susan*. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for those celebrating birthdays this week. May they continue to grow in faith as they grow in years, *especially Roland, Judy, Cedella, Brian, Lori, David, Angela, Melissa, Hope*. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for those celebrating anniversaries this week, *especially Steve & Joy, Brian & Melinda*. May they be bound together by your love, now and forever. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We pray for our sisters and brothers in Christ in neighboring congregations. May your light shine brightly for all, sharing in your love and your peace that surpasses all understanding. We pray especially for Shepherd of the Hills, Whitehall, and their pastor, James Schlegel. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

In your eternal presence the saints sing of your majesty. Join our voices with theirs in praise to the one who loves us and frees us from sin. Merciful God,
receive our prayer.

We offer our prayers to you, gracious God, trusting in your boundless love for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ our Savior. **Amen.**

Peace– *Please share the peace in any manner comfortable to you.*

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

Offering: (8:00) *Beautiful Savior*

-arr. David H. Hegerty

(10:30) *To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King*

-arr. Noel Goemanne

-Jordan Chorale



Cre-ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re-new a right



spir-it with-in me. Cast me not a-way from your pres-ence, and take



not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re-store to me the joy of



your sal - va - tion, and up-hold me with your free Spir - it.

All who are able are invited to stand

Offertory Prayer

Let us pray. Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,

you offered yourself in love for the world, and in your 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. Amen.

MEAL

Jesus welcomes you to this table. Come, here is your God.

All may be seated

Great Thanksgiving

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.

Preface

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord. Born as king in David's line, his power was revealed in weakness, his majesty in mercy. Once enthroned upon the cross, you raised him from death to your right hand, there to rule forever in your kingdom of justice, love and peace. And so with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and
God of might, heav - en and earth are full of your
glo - ry. Ho - san - na in the high - est.
Bless - ed is the one who comes in the name of the
Lord. Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

Thanksgiving at the Table

Holy God, our Bread of life, our table, and our Food,
you created a world in which all might be satisfied by your abundance.

You dined with Abraham and Sarah, promising them life,
and fed your people Israel with manna from heaven.
You sent your Son to eat with sinners and to become food for the world.

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.

Remembering, therefore, his life given for us and his rising from the grave,
we await his coming again to share with us the everlasting feast.

By your Spirit nurture and sustain us with this meal: strengthen us to serve
all in hunger and want, and by this bread and cup make of us the body of your Son.

Through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father,
with the Holy Spirit, in your holy Church, both now and forever.
Amen.

The Lord's Prayer

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

Please be seated

Communion



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.

As the ministers give the bread and cup to each communicant, they say these words:
The body of Christ, given for you. The blood of Christ, shed for you.
The communicant may say: **Amen**

The Distribution Communion Hymns

Beautiful Savior

1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Son of God and Son of Man!
 robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing spring;
 bright the spar - kling stars on high;
 Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
 Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
 Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er
 Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
 he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
 than all the an - gels in the sky.
 now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

Text: *Gesangbuch*, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823–1904
 Music: SCHÖNSTER HERR JESU, Silesian folk tune, 19th cent.

Lord Christ, When First You Came to Earth



1 Lord Christ, when first you came to earth, up -
 2 O awe - some Love, which finds no room in
 3 New ad - vent of the love of Christ, will
 4 O wound - ed hands of Je - sus, build in



on a cross they bound you, and mocked your sav - ing
 life where sin de - nies you, and, doomed to death, shall
 we a - gain re - fuse you, till in the night of
 us your new cre - a - tion; our pride is dust, our



king - ship's worth by thorns with which they crowned you. And
 bring to doom the pow'r that cru - ci - fies you, till
 hate and war we per - ish as we lose you? From
 vault is stilled; we wait your rev - e - la - tion. O



still our wrongs may fash - ion now new thorns to pierce that
 not a stone is left on stone, and then the na - tions'
 an - cient doubts our minds re - lease to seek the king - dom
 Love that tri - umphs o - ver loss, we bring our hearts be -



stead - y brow, and robe of sor - row round you.
 pride, o'er - thrown, will nev - er - more de - fy you!
 of your peace, by which a - lone we choose you.
 fore your cross; come, fin - ish your sal - va - tion.

Text: W. Russell Bowie, 1882-1969, alt.
 Music: MIT FREUDEN ZART, medieval European tune

All who are able, please stand

After all have returned to their places:

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

Canticle

Spread, Oh, Spread, Almighty Word

1 Spread, oh, spread, al - might - y Word, spread the reign of God the Lord.
2 Tell of our Re - deem - er's grace, who, to save our hu - man race
3 Tell of God the Spir - it giv'n now to guide us on to heav'n,
4 Lord of har - vest, great and kind, rouse to ac - tion heart and mind;

Send forth our Cre - a - tor's call, heav - en's gifts ex - tend to all.
and to pay re - bel - lion's price, gave him - self as sac - ri - fice.
strong and ho - ly, just and true, work - ing both to will and do.
let the gath - 'ring na - tions all see your light and heed your call.

Text: Jonathan F. Bahnmaier, 1774–1841; tr. *Lutheran Book of Worship*, alt.
Music: GOTT SEI DANK, J. A. Freylinghausen, *Geistreiches Gesangbuch*, 1704
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Prayer After Communion

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.
Amen.

SENDING

God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

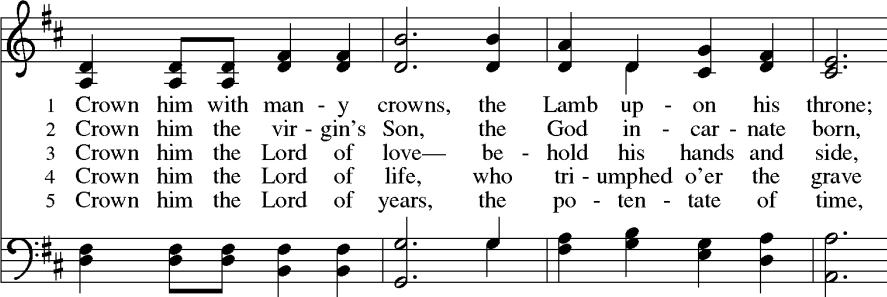
Blessing

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

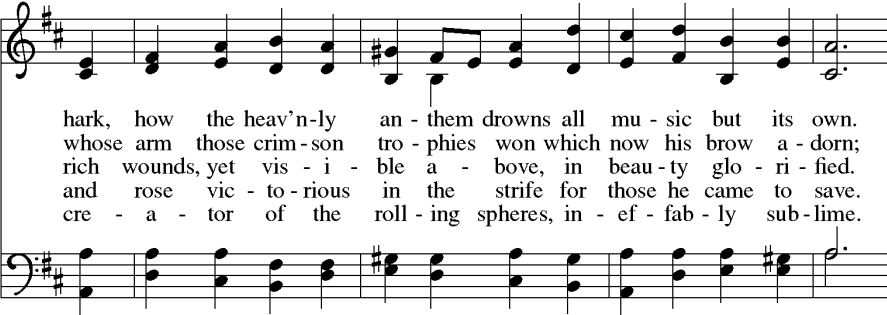
Amen.

Closing Hymn

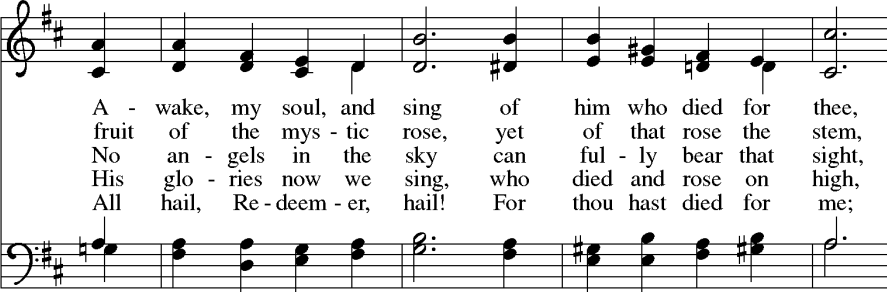
Crown Him with Many Crowns



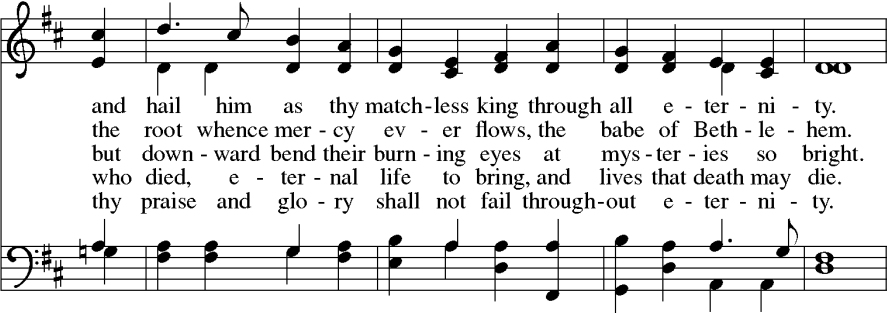
1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
 whose arm those crim - son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Dismissal

Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

Thanks be to God!

Postlude: *In Thee Is Gladness*

-arr. Ralph C. Schultz



WORSHIP SCHEDULE

December

First Sunday of Advent (12/1)

8:00am-Worship Service w/communion

10:30am-Worship Service

Second Sunday of Advent (12/8)

9:15am-Worship Service w/communion (no Sunday School)

First Congregational meeting immediately after worship

Stay after the meeting to help decorate for Christmas!

Third Sunday of Advent (12/15)

9:15am-Sunday School Christmas Program w/communion (during worship)

Fourth Sunday of Advent (12/22)

8:00am Worship Service

10:30am Worship Service w/communion

Eve of the Nativity of Our Lord (12/24)

4:00pm & 7:00pm-Candlelight Services w/communion

(7:00 service live streamed)

First Sunday After Christmas (12/29)

9:15am-Service of Lessons & Carols (no Sunday School)

10:30 (or 9:15) service continues to be live-streamed each week



Jordan Lutheran Church 2024 Christmas Tributes

Several options are available for our members who would like to either honor or remember a loved one at Christmas time. Please complete ONE FORM PER TRIBUTE and return to the church office with your contribution by Dec. 9th. (Forms may be copied or additional forms are available in the narthex and/or church office.)

_____ Christmas Poinsettia*	\$ _____
\$10.00/plant	
_____ Hunger Fund donation	\$ _____
_____ Memorial Fund donation	\$ _____
_____ Pantry Donation	\$ _____

Wreaths

Six available – must call the church office to reserve. One per family. \$20/wreath

**Poinsettias can be picked up after the LAST service on Christmas Eve or by Dec. 31st*

IN HONOR OF
(living) _____

GIVEN BY _____ Env. # _____

OR

IN MEMORY OF
(deceased) _____

GIVEN BY _____ Env. # _____

Order deadline
December 9, 2024

Tributes will be listed in the
Christmas Eve bulletins

For office use only – do not detach

Christmas Tributes

NAME _____

PHONE _____

NO _____

CHECK \$ _____ CASH \$ _____ ENV. NO. _____

Please check: ___ Poinsettia ___ Hunger Fund ___ Memorial Fund ___ Wreath

The Lord's Table at Jordan Church is an open table. If you are a baptized Christian of any church, believe in the Lord's presence in the sacrament and have received the sacrament before, you are welcome to receive with us. If you are not able to receive, please come forward for a pastoral blessing. To come forward, simply follow the direction of the ushers. **Distribution method** is noted in the order for worship.

ALTAR DISTRIBUTION: As you come forward, please take an empty cup with you to the altar rail. If you choose not to consume wine, grape juice is available. Come to the altar rail without a glass and a communion assistant will offer you the grape juice in a pre-filled glass.

Gluten-free wafers are available – please indicate your need to the communion assistant.

You are asked to fill out **communion cards** clearly and completely, one card per person. Visitors are asked to fill out the address of their home church (if you identify with one) so we may forward the card there. Take a moment also before leaving to sign our guest book, located in the entrance area.

If it is necessary to **leave the sanctuary** during worship, please refrain, if possible, from doing so during the reading of scripture or the Eucharistic prayers so as not to distract other worshippers.

Restrooms are located through the left side doors of the chancel; then left through the french doors; restrooms located in the foyer on the right.

The use of **electronic devices** during worship is discouraged. Please turn off cell phones or set to vibrate before the start of the service.

Hearing assistance is available for members and visitors to Jordan. Please see an usher to arrange to use a receiver.

A Koala Bear **baby changing station** is located in the handicapped restroom across from the church offices (in the new section). Children's welcome bags and bulletins are located in the narthex. Please ask ushers for help.

Children in grade 9 and younger are asked to remain in the Memory Room when consuming refreshments during the fellowship hours.

Please be sensitive to the fact that many people are allergic to or bothered by **strong scents** (perfume, aftershave, etc.), particularly when many people are gathered closely together, as for **worship services**.

For Parents of young children: We are grateful that God has blessed Jordan with so many young children. Worshiping with young children is a special privilege and joy for all of us. We enjoy the sounds of children in our worship. However, if you sense the need for a "calming break" feel free to take him/her to the Memory Room or Nursery (located through the doors on the left side of the altar) where you can continue to hear and be involved in the worship.

If you are interested in **becoming a member of Jordan**, please speak with the pastor following the service or call the church office (610-395-5912).

Announcements for the Sunday bulletin are due in the church office before 10:00 a.m. on Thursday. Deadline for the monthly newsletter is the 15th of the month. Persons on the sick list will be listed for 4 weeks, unless otherwise requested.

Please note that the bulletin contains items of interest for the upcoming 1 – 2 weeks. Information for future events, notes of thanks, and other information can be found in the monthly newsletters, or on the website or Facebook page.

JELC NEWS for the Week of Nov. 24 - Nov. 30

TODAY (24)

-9:00am, Sunday School & Circle of Faith
 -8:50am, Cherub Choir
 -9:30am, Chorale
 -6:30pm, AA Meeting

MON (25)

-6:30pm, Jordanians Bowlers
 -7:00pm, Boy Scouts
 -7:30pm, Allentown Band, Family Ctr.

TUES (26)

-5:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.
 -7:30pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

WED (27)

-7:00pm, Badminton, Family Ctr.

THU (28) Church Office Closed

Check our Facebook page for a Thanksgiving message from Pastor Dody.



FRI (29) Church Office Closed

-12:00 noon, Bus Departs for Sight & Sound
 -5:00pm, Youth Badminton, Family Ctr.
 -7:00pm, Volleyball, Family Ctr.

Pr. Dody is on vacation Nov. 25 – Dec. 3. In the event of a pastoral emergency, you may contact Pr. Brian Riedy at 610-844-8924.

Attendance

11/17/24
 8:00 – 45
 10:30 – 57

SPONSORS

Altar flowers are given in loving memory of Wayne Cardoni by wife, Gayle. (T)

Bulletins are given in honor of Heather Parker's birthday (11/25) by Larry & Donna Hahn.

Congratulations!

Noah Alexander Webb was born November 15 to Rachael & Zachary Webb of Daphne, AL. Noah weighed 8 lbs., 12 oz. and was 20 in. long. He has a big brother, Wyatt, and proud Jordan grandparents are Bill & Linda Hendricks.

Say a Prayer & Send a Card & Pay a Visit

Fellowship Community: Lillian Semmel, Donald Laudenslager

Lehigh Commons: Janet Stettler

Cedar Crest Post Acute: Reed Klotz

Parkland Manor: Paulette Bassler, Shirley Wertman

Heather Glen: Sonny Laudenslager, Anna Bieber

Complete Care: Margaret Smith

Home: Dale Gogel, Richard Seltzer, Roger Schoemaker

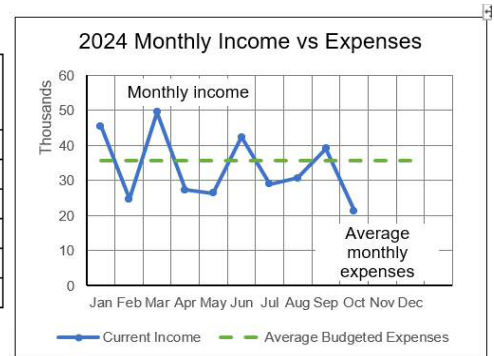
Please keep these people in your prayers: Lisa Williams, Herb Hullinger, Madison Dreisbach, Margie Clark, Hailey Gerencher, Shirley Hamm, Rosie Blaukowitz, Susan Jaynes

Birthdays this week: Roland Harrier, Judy Huff, Cedella Schenk, Brian Lichtenwalner, Lori Nagy, David Silvonek, Angela Heston, Melissa Richebacher, Hope Strobl

Anniversaries this week: Steve & Joy Laudenslager (14), Brian & Melinda Lichtenwalner (33)

The Allentown Band, America's oldest civilian concert band, is once again blessing us with an evening of beautiful Christmas music to start off the holiday season! Join us on **Monday, December 9th, at 7:30 p.m.** The concert will be held **here at Jordan** in the Family Center and is free and open to the public. Invite your friends!

Average weekly expenses: \$8,259	
Current annual surplus/(deficit): (\$4,970)	
Weekly collections	
Oct 20-26	\$4,072
Oct 27-Nov 2	\$8,559
Nov 3 - 9	\$10,589
Nov 10-16	\$8,167
Nov 17-23	\$7,538



Check our website, Facebook page or newsletter for complete information on upcoming events

SPONSORSHIPS

Altar Flowers: Dec. 8, 15, 22, 29

Altar flowers may be sponsored for \$50/2 vase, or \$25/1 vase; Bulletins for \$20

HOW TO RESERVE YOUR SPONSORSHIPS: Contact Donna Hahn at 610-295-9148 or dhahn16@gmail.com with your choice of dates(s) and sponsorships(s). Please indicate when reserving your date whether you wish to pick up the flowers after the last service or want them taken to shut ins. If no preference is given, flowers will be taken to shut ins.

Checks may be made payable to JELC and either mailed or dropped in the offering plate.

SPONSORSHIP POLICY: Flowers and other sponsorships may be reserved no earlier than one year from the chosen date. If you wish to reserve the same weekend for the following year, you may do so the day after the current year's sponsorship. No dates will be held; the first request for a date (within the one-year limit) will be taken regardless of the previous year's sponsor.

Worship Assistants

DATE	11/24	12/1	12/8	12/15
Altar Guild	8:00-C Rabenold 10:30-L Stettler	8:00-L Daniels 10:30-L Stettler	9:15-K Leonard	9:15-S Wagaman
Lector	8:00- S Heckman 10:30-J Siegfried	8:00-D Heckman 10:30-C Nagle	9:15-J Siegfried	9:15-
Acolyte	8:00-I Strobl 10:30-N Heckman	8:00-P Schafer 10:30-N Heckman	9:15-C Wozniak	9:15- D Dreisbach
Ushers	8:00-B & R Albright 10:30-Stettler family	8:00-D Heckman, M Kozy 10:30-G Vrabel, P German	9:15-D Heckman, J Steiner	9:15-Stettler family
Bell Toller	8:00-J Siegfried 10:30-B Stettler	8:00-B Lutterschmidt 10:30-K Gross	9:15-S Hamil	9:15-B Stettler
Video	10:30-O Wozniak	10:30-T Daniels	9:15-T Daniels	9:15-D Clark
SAT	8:00- 10:30-K Boardman	8:00- 10:30-	9:15-	9:15-

Please look at the dates we have no one scheduled and give a call to the name listed below for the area(s) you can help with!
Altar Guild/Lynn Daniels ljd2167@yahoo.com // **Lectors**/Julie Boscia Julie.boscia@gmail.com // **Acolytes**/Stephany Heckman stephanyheckman@gmail.com // **Ushers** /Pr. Dody prdody@gmail.com // **Bell Toller**/Sandie Hamil hamilsre@gmail.com
SAT/Doug Clark d.clark854@gmail.com // **Video**/Tom Daniels tkdaniels@ptd.net

OFFERING ENVELOPES: Please stop by the Memory Room to pick up your/your family's 2025 boxed sets of offering envelopes at your earliest convenience. We also welcome help from those who are able to deliver additional boxes to friends or shut-ins.

REMINDER: Sunday, December 1st – Youth Group meets at 5:00 p.m.

First Congregational Meeting – Dec. 8, 2024

Be here Sunday, 12/8, after the 9:15 am service (one service this day) to approve the 2025 budget and elect church council and Endowment Investment & Disbursement committee members. NO SUNDAY SCHOOL THIS DAY.

Please remain after the Congregational Meeting to help place wreaths, decorate the tree and prepare the church for Advent and Christmas!

Family Christmas Caroling – December 14, 2024 – 1:45 p.m.

An invitation for all ages to join in caroling for the residents at Parkland Manor and Heather Glen, from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Meet on Jordan's church parking lot at 1:45 p.m. to drive to each location.

Sleepover at the Stable/Sunday School Christmas Program – Dec. 15, 2024, at the 9:15 a.m. Worship Service

Come experience a bit of excitement in a quiet stable the night two humans find there is no room in the inn. Come and hear the animals share their version as they witnessed the birth of baby Jesus. **Program practice will be held Saturday, Dec. 14th, at 1:00 p.m. and Sunday, Dec. 15th, at 8:15 a.m. in the Sanctuary**

Special Sunday School Dept. - Deck the Halls Open House – Dec. 15, 2024

After the Christmas program, Sunday morning, Dec. 15th at 9:15 am, the Sunday School Dept. cordially invites you to stroll through the Sunday School "hall" to see festive decorations and artwork in the children's classroom, confirmation classroom, adult classroom, and the NEWLY designed Youth room. Holiday cookies and punch will be served as you visit the rooms.

3D Youth Painting Party – All Ages Welcome! – Dec. 22, 2024 – 11:30am-3:30 pm in the Social Hall

Paint an ornament, canvas or board, or bring your own item to paint. Pizza, paint & snacks provided. Question? Contact Stephany Heckman at stephanyheckman@gmail.com or 412-860-3618.

Christmas Tributes

See the green sheets in the literature racks or look in your November and December newsletters to sponsor flowers, wreaths, poinsettias or to make a donations in honor of loved ones at Christmas.