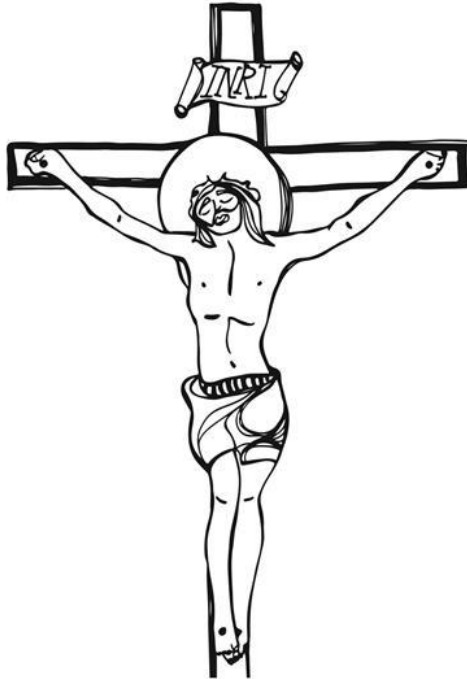


# You're Welcome...



**Christ the King: November 24, 2024**



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# The Liturgy of Holy Communion

9:00 AM

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## GATHERING

### Announcements

**Prelude:** Handbell Choir: *Rondo*, Sondra K. Tucker

### Confession and Forgiveness

P. In the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C. Amen**

P. Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

*(Please kneel or sit)*

P. Most merciful God,

**C. we confess that we are captive 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. In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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**

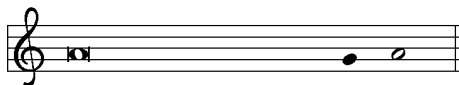
**The Processional Hymn: #855 CROWN HIM WITH MANY CROWNS**

### Apostolic 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:



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



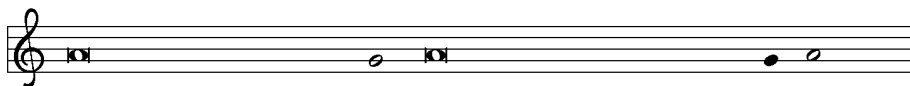
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



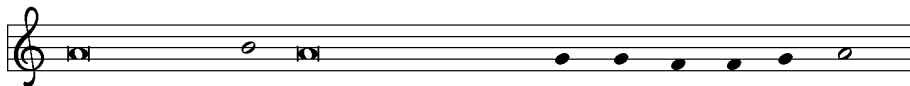
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord.

Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de - fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.

## Hymn of Praise: "This is the Feast"



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and



strength, and hon - or and bless - ing and glo - ry are his.

### *Refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

### *Final refrain*



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

## **The Prayer of the Day:**

P. Almighty and ever-living God,

**C. 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**

*(Be Seated)*

## **WORD**

### **The First Lesson: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14**

<sup>9</sup>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. <sup>10</sup>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. <sup>13</sup>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. <sup>14</sup>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.

L. The Word of the Lord.      **C. Thanks be to God.**

### **Psalm 93 (sung responsively with the cantor)**

<sup>1</sup>The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and <sup>1</sup>armed with strength. The LORD has made the world so sure that it can- <sup>1</sup>not be moved.

<sup>2</sup>**Ever since the world began, your throne has <sup>1</sup>been established;  
you are from <sup>1</sup>everlasting.**

<sup>3</sup>The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted <sup>1</sup>up their voice; the waters have lifted up their <sup>1</sup>pounding waves.

<sup>4</sup>**Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the  
breakers <sup>1</sup>of the sea, mightier is the LORD who <sup>1</sup>dwells on high.**

<sup>5</sup>Your testimonies are <sup>1</sup>very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD,  
forever and for- <sup>1</sup>evermore.

### **The Second Lesson: Revelation 1:4-8**

<sup>4</sup>John to the seven churches that are in Asia: 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, <sup>5</sup>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, <sup>6</sup>and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup>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. <sup>8</sup>"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

L. The Word of the Lord.

**C. Thanks be to God.**

*(Please stand)*

### **The Gospel Acclamation**



Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?



You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

### **Gospel Lesson: John 18:33-37**

P. The Holy Gospel according to John.

**C. Glory to you, O Lord. (spoken)**

<sup>33</sup>Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup>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?" <sup>36</sup>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." <sup>37</sup>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."

L. The Gospel of the Lord.

**C. Praise to you, O Christ.**

*(please be seated)*

**The Sermon:** The Rev. Mark Luscombe

*[Silence for reflection follows the sermon.]*

*(please stand)*

**The Hymn of the Day: #431 O CHRIST, WHAT CAN IT MEAN FOR US**

P. Let us affirm our faith in the words of the Nicene Creed.

**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, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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**

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

*(after each petition, please respond)*

P. Merciful God,     **C. receive our prayer.**

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

**C. Amen**

P. The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C. And also with you.**

*(please be seated)*

**The Offertory: *O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us*, arr. James Engel**

*(please stand)*

### The Offertory: *"Accept, O Lord, the Gifts We Bring"*



- 1 Ac - cept, O Lord, the gifts we bring to place up - on your ta - ble.
- 2 The vines were plant - ed, seeds were sown. They grew in your good plea - sure.
- 3 Our hopes and dreams, our toils and cares we lift in prayer be - fore you.



We do not wor - ship as we ought but on - ly as we're a - ble.  
What once was com - mon, dail - y food be - comes a ho - ly trea - sure.  
Lord, by your grace now come to us, as hum - bly we a - dore you.

### The Offertory Prayer

P. Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup,

**C. 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. Amen**

### The Preface Dialogue: THE 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.**

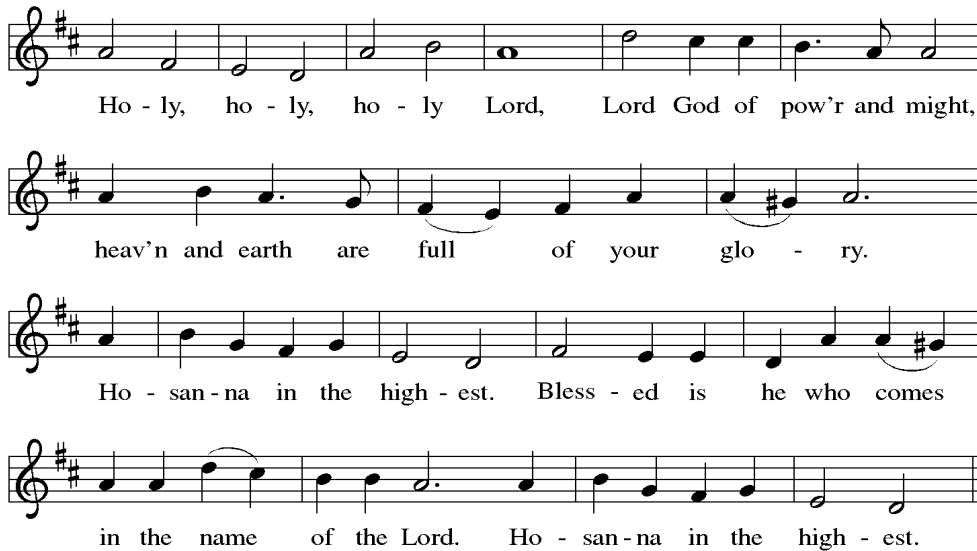
P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.      **C. It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

### The Proper Preface for Christ the King

P. "It is indeed right, our duty and our joy.....join their unending hymn."



## The Sanctus:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r 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.

## Eucharistic Prayer:

P. Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal; .....through him all glory and honor is yours, Almighty Father, with the Holy Spirit, in your holy church, both now and forever.

**C. Amen**

## The Lord's Prayer:

**C. Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen**

## The Fraction:

P. When we eat this bread we share the body of Christ.

When we drink this cup we share the blood of Christ.

**C. Reveal yourself to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as once you revealed yourself to your disciples.**

## Agnes Dei – LAMB OF GOD



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.

*[Please be seated at the conclusion of this hymn.]*

### The Distribution:

*(All are invited to come to the table, for either the bread, wine and grape juice or a blessing. If you are visiting, please follow the custom of your home congregation regarding participation of children at the table. We use a glass to receive the wine. The grape juice is pre-poured in the trays. Please join in the hymns provided for the communing of the faithful.)*

#722 O CHRIST, YOUR HEART, COMPASSIONATE

#432 THE HEAD THAT ONCE WAS CROWNED

#838 BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

#631 LOVE DIVINE, ALL LOVES EXCELLING

#434 JESUS SHALL REIGN

### The Blessing of Communicants:

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

**C. Amen**

### The Post Communion Prayer:

P. Faithful God,

**C. 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**

**The Benediction**

P. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord’s face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

**C. Amen**

**The Recessional Hymn: #430 REJOICE, FOR CHRIST IS KING!**

**The Dismissal:**

A. Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

**C. Thanks be to God.**

**The Postlude:** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*, arr. Kim Kondal Patterson

**OUR WORSHIPPING COMMUNITY**

<p><b>ASSISTING MINISTERS</b> 9:00 Kathy Kuhns</p> <p><b>LECTOR</b> 9:00 Kathy Kuhns</p> <p><b>COUNCIL TEAM</b> 9:00 Norm Wangman, Bill Spitzer</p> <p><b>ACOLYTES</b> 9:00 CH Ava Morgan CR Natalie Mull T Patrice Mull, Judy Williams</p> <p><b>AV</b> Live Stream</p>	<p><b>ALTAR GUILD</b> 9:00 Barb &amp; Steve Sweigart, Andy Sweigart</p> <p><b>USHERS</b> 9:00 John Fuehrer, Candy Snyder, Mark Mull, Whip Zimmerman</p> <p><b>Launder Linens:</b> Brenda Wangman</p> <p><b>Deliver Flowers:</b> Dan Doremus</p> <hr/> <p><b>WE GIVE THANKS TO GOD FOR OUR FLOWERS/WORSHIP APPOINTMENTS TODAY:</b></p> <p>✠ In honor of the 7<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, today, of Thomas &amp; Angela Berkosky, daughter of Terry &amp; Joyce Gehman; and in memory of Joyce’s brother, Howard Hornberger Jr, who entered the Church Triumphant 15 years ago on November 25<sup>th</sup>.</p> <p>✠ In loving memory of Bruce Shirker who passed away 5 years ago on November 26; by Denise and Matthew Shirker</p>
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## Prayers of the People



Candy Snyder – 218 E. Walnut St. Ephrata, PA 17522

Jill Puleo – Cheryl Plummer's cousin

Ryan Johnson – nephew of Deb & Trig Olson

Carl Rentschler – 116 Barn Owl Rd. Lititz, PA 17543

Karen Hurst – Neighbor of Bill & Lori Spitzer

Sheldon Garman – Friend of Mike & Judy Williams

Henry Perella – great-nephew of Judy Williams

All people affected by war

Victims of natural disasters

Shut-ins of the Parish

President Biden and leaders of this nation, Leaders and policy makers of every nation

All outreach ministries, serving those in need

***If for any reason you enter the hospital, whether outpatient or inpatient, please contact the church office and Pastor Mark. If you wish to be on the prayer list or have a friend or family member needing prayers, please contact the church office.***

## CONGREGATION REQUEST FOR PRAYER

The office staff does not know the current status of many on the list below. If there is a change in their life circumstance making it possible to remove their name from this list, please let the church office know.

Alexander Mulvenna

Emmalyn Mulvenna

Janet Brunner

Andrew Campbell

Michael Spennath

Asher D'Agostino

Tony Perella

Mike & Claudia Belden

COL. Eric Bowers

Dan Wierbiki

Jacob Hinkle Jr.

Karen Woerner Kim

Kim Harnish

Rick Gerhard

Wyatt Geithweit

Les Doremus

Jim Weik

Heidi White

Johnny White

Jacob Connelly

Sue & Denis Rowe

Crystal Perry

Hank & Pat Kajetzke

Terry Gehman

Brent Stever

Alan & family

Dori Hoch

Cindy Stahl

Grant Hummer

Martha Becker

Chris and Karen Payonk

Alysha Fassnacht

John Surdich

Ava Berkosky

Amy Pasili

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