



### WELCOME FAMILIES!

We are glad that you are worshipping with your children and want you to feel welcome.

There is a “**Pray Ground**” for quiet play in the front right of the sanctuary. We ask that families stay with their little ones and try to keep noise to a minimum.

If you or your little one needs “a break” or “louder play”, there is an “**Active Worship**” room on the West side of the sanctuary. You can see and hear the service from this room.

### GATHERING



The Holy Spirit gathers us together during this time of worship

## WORSHIP WITH HOLY COMMUNION

Christ the King Sunday

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*Inviting All to Live the Gospel through Faith, Love, and Compassion*

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### Welcome to Family of Christ

You are welcome to participate in worship this morning  
the way you feel comfortable.

**All Are Welcome, No Exceptions!**

**Everybody Is Somebody Here**

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### PRELUDE

### WELCOME

### CALL TO WORSHIP

L: Children of God, whom do you follow?

**All: We follow Christ, Ruler of us all.**

L: Children of God, what kind of Ruler is Christ?

**All: Christ reigns with love and truth, justice and mercy, compassion and peace.**

L: Children of God, how will you live in the reign of Christ?

**All: We will join Christ in choosing love, truth, justice, mercy, compassion, and peace even when our world tells us not to.**

L: Children of God, come, let us worship God whose Love reigns over us, exemplified in Jesus Christ!

**All: Come, let us worship! Thanks be to God. Amen.**

### GATHERING HYMN

**“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!”**

**ELW #634**

### CONFESSION and FORGIVENESS

L: Let us open our hearts and minds to the truth of our lives, and let us offer that truth to God. Hide your truth in our hearts, for we are a people who are attracted to the error of our ways. We make bad choices, O Lord. We find ourselves in predicaments that make us sigh and groan. We have brought upon ourselves many of the disasters that have come our way. We were not honest and truthful in all situations. We even try to hide from ourselves when we realize that we are responsible for our own mistakes.

**All: O Lord, do not remove yourself from us. Forgive us, we pray, for the many sins, wrongdoings, shortcomings, and lies. Fill us with your grace and blot out our transgressions. Give us genuine love for each other, we pray. We thank you for the assurance of your forgiveness through your Son, Jesus Christ. Hear us, we pray, in Jesus’ name. Amen.**

## SONG OF PRAISE

“Soon and Very Soon”

ELW #439

### PRAYER OF THE DAY

Loving God of power and justice and peace, **In our broken world, We seek a new order Where there is courage to speak truth to power We seek a new order Where there is mutual support in church and community We seek a new order Where there is abundant time for healing We seek a new order Where there is peace and freedom for all.**  
**Amen.**

All young and young at heart are invited forward during the Children's time.

### CHILDREN'S TIME

#### FIRST READING

**Revelation 1:4b-8**

<sup>4</sup> 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 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 all the tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. 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 our Lord C: **Thanks Be to God**

#### THE WORD

God speaks to us through scripture reading, preaching, and song.



#### GOSPEL READING

**John 18:33-37**

<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 does not belong to this world. If my kingdom belonged to 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 Good News of our Lord C: **Thanks Be to God**

**MESSAGE**

**Pastor Brent Erler**

**HYMN OF THE DAY**

**“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”**

**ELW #502**

**APOSTLES CREED**

**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.**

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**SHARING OF THE PEACE**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**NOISY OFFERING**

**Messiah Community Food Shelf**

**OFFERING**

**THE MEAL**

God feeds us with the forgiveness and presence of Christ.

All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

No Exceptions!

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing and Goldfish Crackers.



**PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

**L: Lord, in Your Mercy**

**C: Have mercy on us, Lord**

**HOLY COMMUNION**

**THE LORD'S PRAYER**

**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.**

## **THE SENDING**

We are blessed and sent out into the world to share God's Love with all people.



## **Serving Today**

Pastor

Brent Eler

Musician

Ann Mikiska

Sound and Video

\*Thanks to all those who helped make worship possible.

## **BLESSING**

### **PRAYER OF GOOD COURAGE**

Lord God, you have called your servants to ventures of which we cannot see the ending, by paths as yet untrodden, through perils unknown. Give us faith to go out with good courage, not knowing where we go, but only that your hand is leading us and your love supporting us, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

### **SENDING HYMN**

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

ELW #855

## **POSTLUDE**

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