



Trinity Lutheran Church

Christ the King Sunday

November 23, 2025



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Welcome

Invocation:

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, we are here to worship the Lord our God.

C: **Amen.**

^Confession of Sin & Absolution

P: Our help is in the name of the Lord,

C: **Who made heaven and earth. (Psalm 124:8)**

P: If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?

C: **But there is forgiveness with You, so that You may be revered. (Psalm 130:3-4)**

P: We come before the Lord our God aware of our unworthiness yet trusting in His promises. Let us confess our sin and seek His grace for the sake of Christ.

(Silence for reflection)

P: Almighty God, good and gracious Father,

All: **I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed by what I have done and by what I have left undone. I am sorry for my sin and ask Your forgiveness for the sake of Your dear Son Jesus Christ Who alone is Lord of lords and King of kings. Amen.**

P: People of God rejoice, for this is the Good News that I, a called and ordained minister in the Church of Christ and by Christ's authority speak to you - all your sins are forgiven! How can this be so? It is so because God has given His only begotten Son, Jesus Christ, to die for the sin of the world. Jesus Christ has taken our sins from us and given us in return His righteousness. In Holy Baptism we become children of God gathered into Christ's one, holy Church, where He daily and richly forgives our sins and grants us new life in Him. By the power of the Holy Spirit, we have received faith to believe and trust in God's promises to us!

C: **Thanks be to God, Amen.**

Hymn:

"All Hail the Power" LBW 328 vs 1-3, 5-6

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

(Children go down for Sunday School)

God's Word: Malachi 3:13-18

You have spoken harsh words against me, says the Lord. Yet you say, "How have we spoken against you?" ¹⁴You have said, "It is vain to serve God. What do we profit by keeping his command or by going about as mourners before the Lord of hosts?" ¹⁵Now we count the arrogant happy; evildoers not only prosper, but when they put God to the test they escape." ¹⁶Then those who revered the Lord spoke with one another.

The Lord took note and listened, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who revered the Lord and thought on his name. ¹⁷They shall be mine, says the Lord of hosts, my special possession on the day when I act, and I will spare them as parents spare their children who serve them. ¹⁸Then once more you shall see the difference between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.

God's Word: Colossians 1:13-20

He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. ¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Hymn: "King of Kings" W&P 80

Holy Gospel: Luke 23:27-43

A great number of the people followed him, and among them were women who were beating their breasts and wailing for him. ²⁸But Jesus turned to them and said, "Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. ²⁹For the days are surely coming when they will say, 'Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.' ³⁰Then they will begin to say to the mountains, 'Fall on us'; and to the hills, 'Cover us.' ³¹For if they do this when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?"

³²Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. ³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

Message

Offertory: "Thy Word" W&P 144
Offering will be received at this time

Prayers of the People:

Lord's Prayer:

Benediction:

Sending Hymn: "What Grace is Mine"

Dismissal

P: Go in the peace of Christ, you are loved and sent.

C: Thanks be to God. Amen.

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