# **Christ the King Sunday**

Holy Trinity Lutheran Church

November 22, 2020

**Pastor Scottie Burkhalter** 

800 Broad St., Kingsport, TN | HolyTrinityKingsport.org | 423-247-9106

Please turn your radios to station FM 99.7

**Prelude** 

Journey for Home
I Will Lift Up Your Name

Ed Bolduc Augrisano-Tomaszek

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

<sup>8</sup>If we say that we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. <sup>9</sup>If we confess our sins, he who is faithful and just will forgive us our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

### 1 John 1:8-9

- P God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit, that Christ may live in your hearts through faith.
- C Amen.

#### THE 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.

### THE PRAYER OF THE DAY

- P The Lord be with you.
- C And also with you.
- P Let us pray.
- C O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## **Gathering Song**

# Crown Him with Many Crowns

- 1 Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne; hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own. Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.
- 2 Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save. His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high, who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
- 3 Crown him the Lord of love-behold his hands and side, rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified. No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight, but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.
- 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time, creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
  All hail, Redeemer, hail!
  For thou hast died for me; thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

## **WORD**

## First Reading: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Because Israel's kings proved to be bad shepherds, Ezekiel declares that the LORD will assume the role of shepherd in Israel. The LORD will also set over them a shepherd-messiah, "my servant David," who will feed and care for the people.

<sup>11</sup>Thus says the Lord GoD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. <sup>12</sup>As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. <sup>13</sup>I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. <sup>14</sup>I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup>I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GoD. <sup>16</sup>I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

<sup>20</sup>Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. <sup>21</sup>Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, <sup>22</sup>I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

<sup>23</sup>I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup>And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

# **Second Reading: Ephesians 1:15-23**

In this passage, God is praised for revealing ultimate divine power in raising Jesus from the dead. The resurrected, exalted Christ is Lord of both the church and the entire universe, now and in the age to come.

<sup>15</sup>I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup>I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup>I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup>so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, <sup>19</sup>and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup>God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup>far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup>And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup>which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

### THE HOLY GOSPEL: Matthew 25:31-46

P The holy gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

# C Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus compares himself to a king who moves among his subjects to see how he is treated: what is done for the least of those who belong to his family is truly done for him.

[Jesus said to the disciples:] 31"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. <sup>32</sup>All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, <sup>33</sup>and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; <sup>35</sup> for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' 37Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? <sup>38</sup>And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? <sup>39</sup>And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' <sup>40</sup>And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family you did it to me.' 41 Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels: 42 for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 43I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' 44Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' <sup>45</sup>Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' 46 And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

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

### THE SERMON

#### Pastor Scottie Burkhalter

# Hymn of the Day

- 1 We will glorify the King of kings We will glorify the Lamb We will glorify the Lord of lords Who is the great I Am
- 2 Lord Jehovah reigns in majesty We will bow before His throne We will worship Him in righteousness We will worship Him alone

## We Will Glorify

- 3 He is Lord of heaven Lord of earth He is Lord of all who live He is Lord above the universe All praise to Him we give
- 4 Hallelujah to the King of kings Hallelujah to the Lamb Hallelujah to the Lord of lords Who is the great I Am

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

- P We have been made God's people through our baptism into Christ. Living together in trust and hope, we 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.

#### THE PRAYERS

## AT THE OFFERTORY Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow

(words are on the website)

## **Blessing Of New Worship Banners**

### **OFFERING PRAYER**

P God of all goodness, generations have turned to you, gathered around your table, and shared your abundant blessings. Number us among them that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance, and give thanks for your rich blessings, we may feast upon your very self and care for all that you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant.

C Amen.

# **Holy Communion - Words of Institution**

## The Lord's Prayer

### **BLESSING**

P The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C Amen.

## **SENDING HYMN**

He Is Exalted (Sing Twice)

He is exalted
The King is exalted on high
I will praise Him
He is exalted forever exalted
And I will praise His name

He is the Lord Forever His truth shall reign Heaven and earth Rejoice in His holy name He is exalted The King is exalted on high

### THE DISMISSAL

- P Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
- C Thanks be to God.
- P WE ARE HOLY TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH
- C <u>Helping Transform Lives in Christ</u>

# **Drive-Thru Holy Communion**

As you receive the bread and wine today, may the body and blood of our Lord, Jesus Christ, strengthen you and keep you in His grace. Amen.

(Additional music will be broadcast as you receive Holy Communion.)

May the Lord be with you as you drive away this day.

Permission to print, podcast / stream the music in this service obtained from ONE LICENSE with License #A-702264 and CCLI #1667989. All rights reserved.

Current 14 day avg. of new COVID cases as of 11/18/2020 is 82.3 = RED

Meals on Wheels - COOKS: Leigh Bergemann & Kathy Schick/ DRIVERS: BLUE-Castille; RED-Hollowell; GREEN -Grady; GOLD-Wilder

Pastor: The Rev. Scottie J. Burkhalter | Ministers: People of HTLC

Staff: Sue Morgan, Parish Nurse; Janet Thomas, Administrative Assistant; Dr. Susan Waters, Musician