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CHRIST THE KINGSUNDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 2026

PRELUDE: *"At the Name of Jesus, Every Knee Shall Bow"*... Jonathan Eifert (Am. 20th c.)

WELCOME

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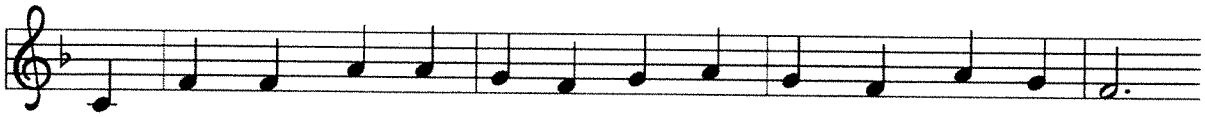
P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, ☩ one God,
the fountain of living water,
the rock who gave us birth,
our light and our salvation.
C: Amen.

P: Joined to Christ in the waters of baptism, here we are named saints in God's great and diverse family. Let us give thanks for the gift of baptism.
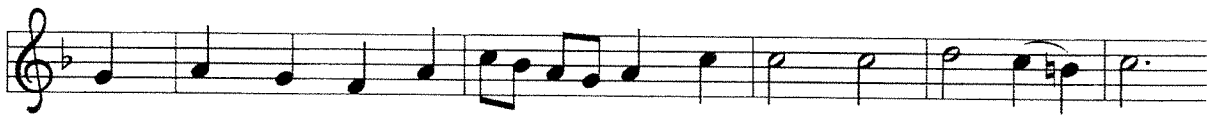
P: We give you thanks, O God,
C: for in the beginning you created us in your image and placed us in a well-watered garden. When we did not know the way, you sent your son, Jesus to lead us to still waters. At the cross, you washed us from Jesus' wounded side, and on this day, you shower us again with the endless water of life.

P: We praise you for your gift of salvation through the waters of love. Wash us in your forgiveness, grace, and mercy.
C: We rejoice that in love, you freely choose to call us your beloved children, and claim us forever as your saints. To you be given honor and praise through Jesus Christ, our living water, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.
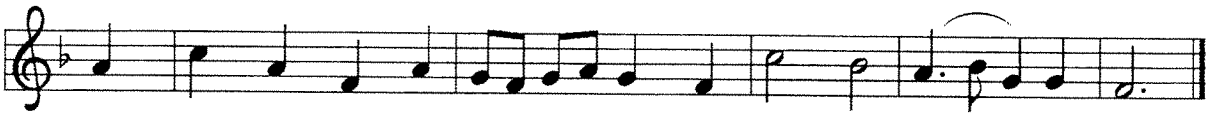
GATHERING HYMN: *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"*.....ELW 634



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.



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5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
on this terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe
and crown him Lord of all.

6 Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
we at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
and crown him Lord of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726–1792, sts. 1–4; J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, sts. 5–6
Music: CORONATION, Oliver Holden, 1765–1844

PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: The Lord be with you
C: And also with you

P: Let us pray together:
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.

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHILDREN'S SERMON ..... Pastor Kim Kyllo

FIRST READING: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

L: A Reading from Ezekiel

11 Thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep and will sort them out.
As shepherds sort out their flocks when they are among scattered sheep, so I will sort
out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered

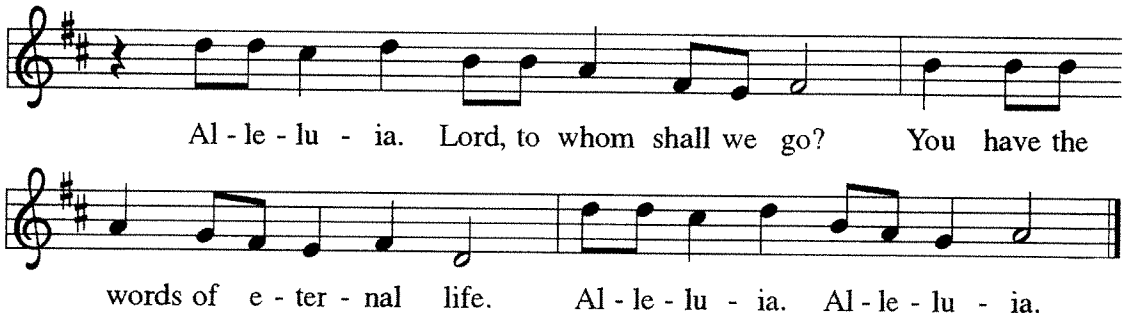
on a day of clouds and thick darkness. [13] I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries and bring them into their own land, and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. [14] I will feed them with good pasture, 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. [15] I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. [16] I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strays, 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.

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

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

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:.....ELW p.142



GOSPEL READING Matthew 25:31-46

P: A Reading from the Gospel of Matthew
C: Glory to you, O Lord

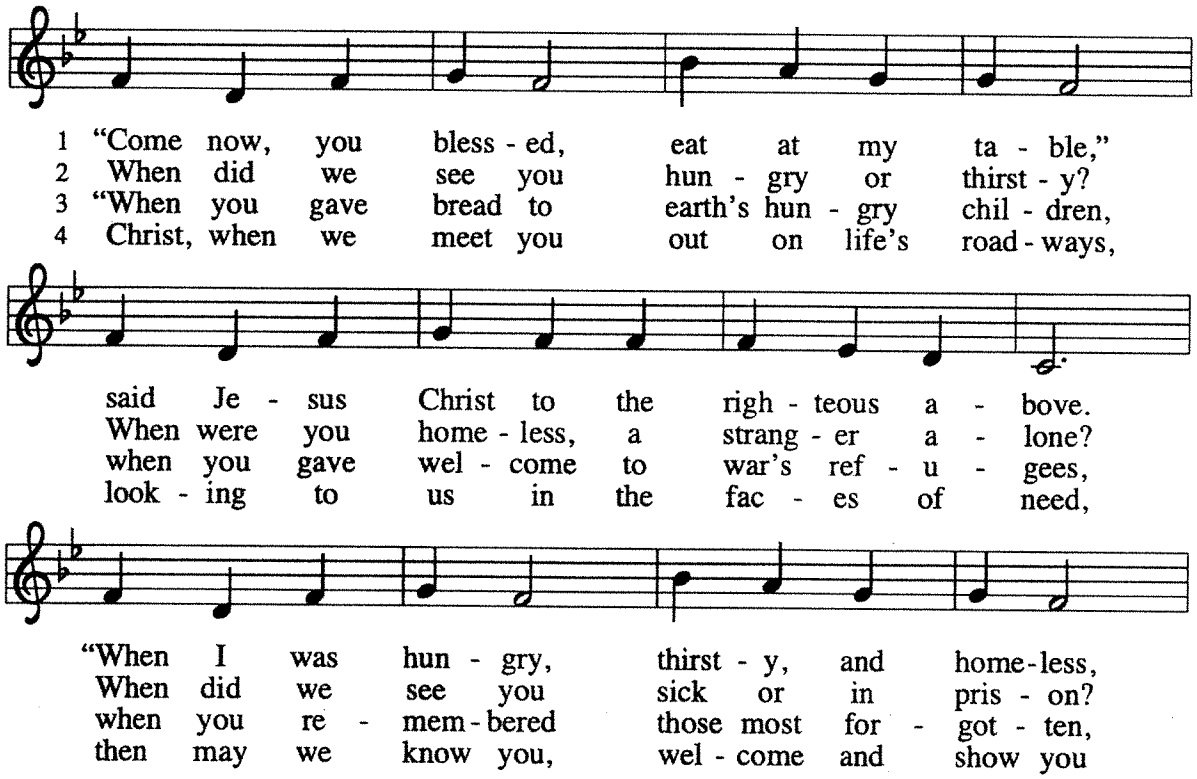
[Jesus said to the disciples:] [31] "When the Son of Man comes in his glory and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. [32] All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, [33] and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. [34] Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world, [35] for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me some-

thing to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, [36] 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.' [37] Then 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? [38] And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you or naked and gave you clothing? [39] And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' [40] And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did it to me.' [41] Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You who 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, [43] I 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.' [44] Then 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?' [45] 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."

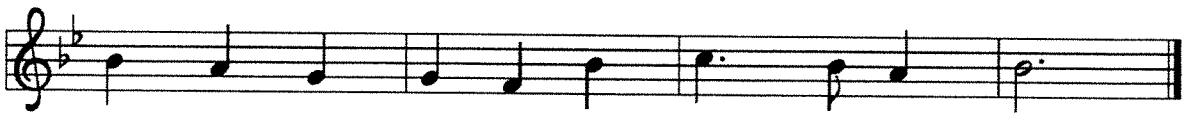
P: The Word of the Lord
C: Praise to You, O Christ

SERMON .....Pastor Nathan Lyke

HYMN OF THE DAY: *"Come, Now, You Blessed"* ..... ACS 1059



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sick	and	in	pris - on,	you	showed	me	your	love."
What	have	we	done	that	you	call	us	your	own?
you	cared	for	me	in	the	small -	est	of	these."
love	that	is	faith - ful	in	word	and	in	deed.

Text: Ruth Duck, b. 1947
Music: MATTHEW 25, Emily R. Brink, b. 1940
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APOSTLES CREED ..... ELW p.105

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.

OFFERING MUSIC: (8:30) *"O Worship the King"*..... arr. M. Shepperd
Chancel Choir

Anthem Text:

Oh, worship the King, all glorious above.
Oh, gratefully sing God's power and love;
our shield and defender the ancient of days,
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

The earth with its store of wonders untold,
Almighty, your power has founded of old;
Established it fast by a changeless decree,
And round it has cast, like a mantle, the sea.

Your bountiful care what tongue can recite?
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,
It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain,
And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

O measureless might, ineffable love,
While angels delight to hymn you above,
The humbler creation, though feeble their lays,
With true adoration shall sing to your praise;

(10:30): Improvisation on *"Come Now You Blessed"*.....ACS 1059

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Pink Envelope Partner for November: For November and our Pink Envelope Partner is The Open Door, Dakota County's largest hunger relief organization, consistently feeding 25,000 people each month. Any donations collected via pink envelopes in November and December will support The Open Door.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PETITION RESPONSE:

L: Hear us O God
C: Your Mercy is Great

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER ..... ELW p.145

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 THE TABLE

P: The invitation is simple: come and eat of the feast. Not a meal to nourish the body, but to feed the soul.

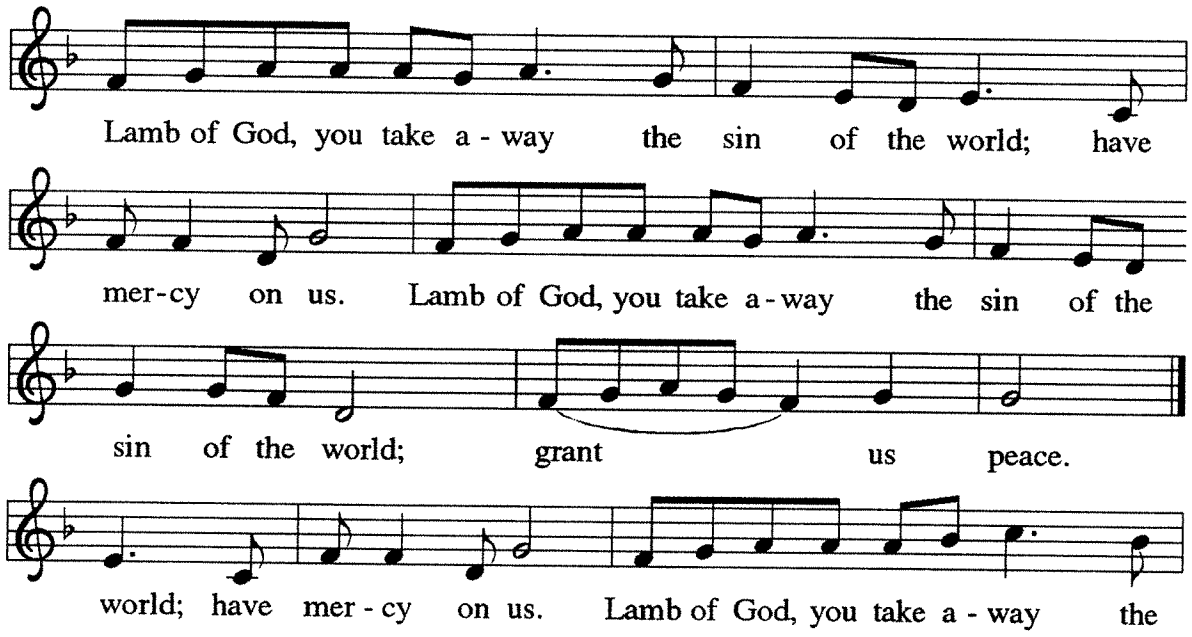
We receive the bread and wine connected to the ages:
to the saint of old who felt unworthy,
to the seeker eager to know God,

to the teenager who wonders what it's all about,
to the child who eats with unburdened faith.
Woven into this time, the hopes and tears of generations.
There is great joy here.
No one is turned away for God is the host!

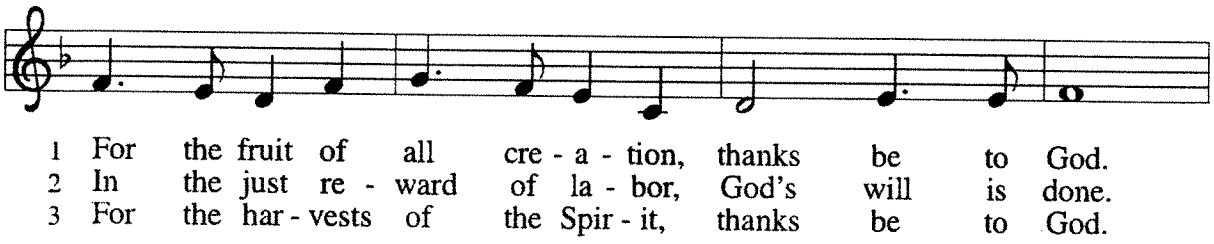
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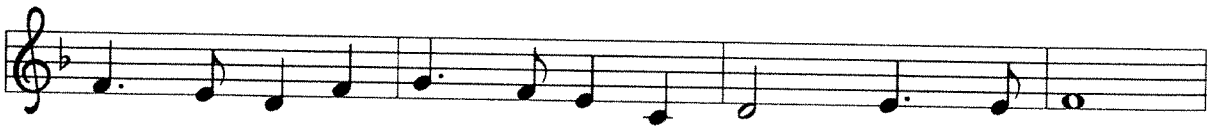
Note about the new communion wafers. *These wafers are prepared with certified gluten-free ingredients using dedicated equipment and ingredients to minimize the risk of gluten cross-contact. While we take steps to reduce the risk of cross-contact with other allergens, some ingredients are manufactured in facilities that also process other allergens. Because of this, we cannot guarantee the complete absence of trace allergens. If you or a family member has a food allergy or other dietary concern, please contact the church office so we can discuss your individual needs.*

DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *"Lamb of God"*.....ELW p. 146
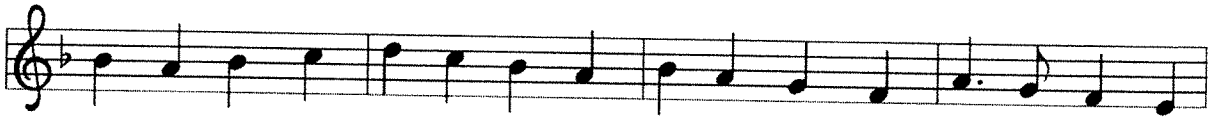


DISTRIBUTION HYMN: *"For the Fruit of All Creation"*.....ELW 679
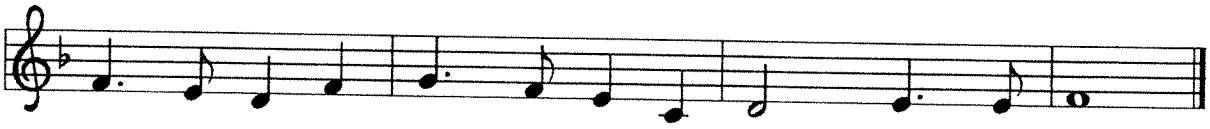




For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh-bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep-ing,
In our world-wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair-ing,
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con-found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.
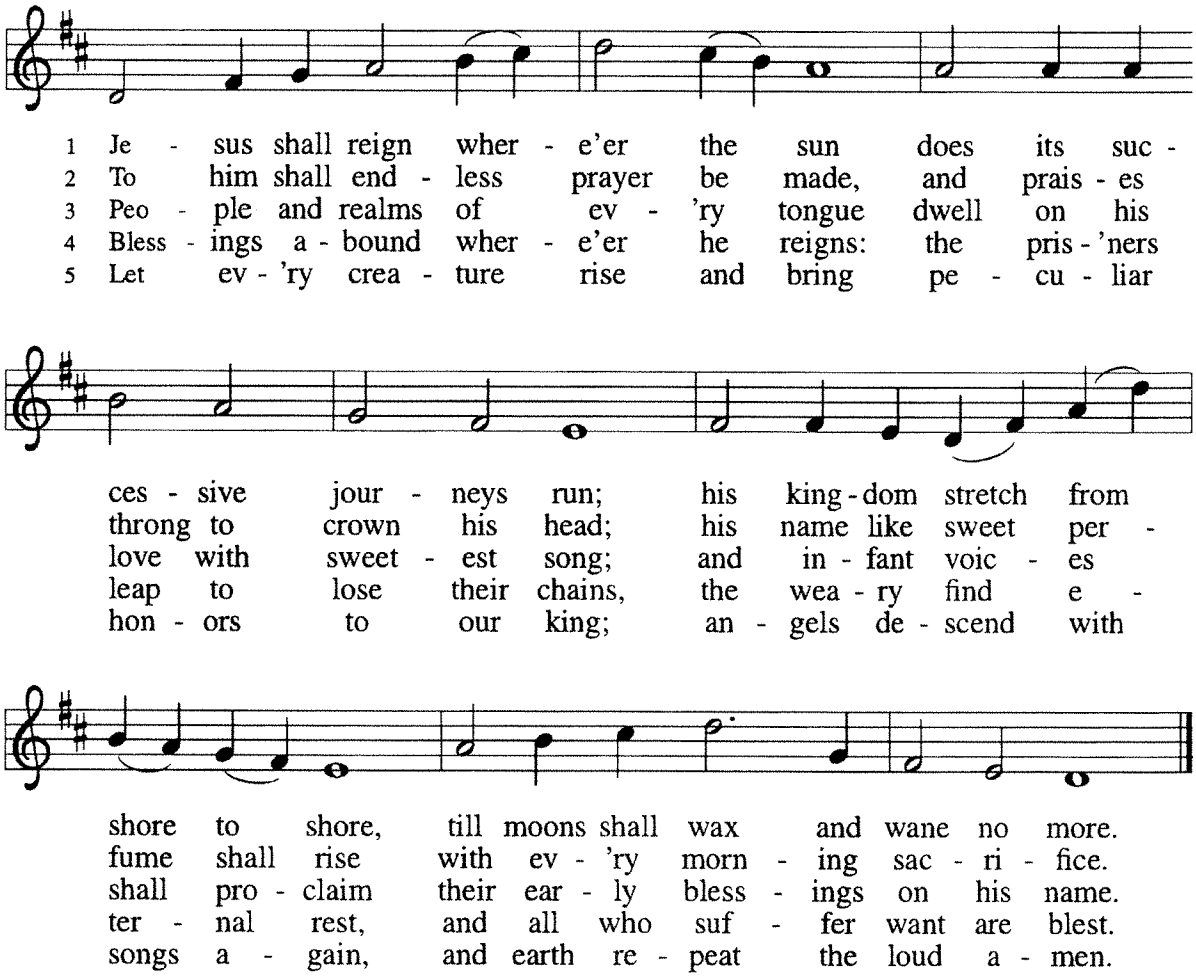
Text: Fred Pratt Green, 1903–2000
Music: AR HYD Y NOS, Welsh traditional
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POST COMMUNION PRAYER

P: Tender, transforming God, you have gathered at this table,
To taste the feast, the same abundant promises offered to our ancestors in faith.
Time and time again you've offered your grace,
Even as we have stepped away,
You continue to call us to be your people.
You have never left us.
We praise you for second, third, and fourth chances.
You are ever-patient, always faithful.
C: We give thanks for this time of celebration.
For the One this meal remembers.
For the life, ministry, death, and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Amen.

BENEDICTION

CLOSING HYMN: *"Jesus Shall Reign"*.....ELW 434



Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793

DISMISSAL

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always
C: And also with you

P. We now encourage you to share the Peace of God with others as you leave.

POSTLUDE: *"Chorale-Prelude on Duke Street"*.....Robert J. Powell

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Announcements:

1. Today is **Welcome Sunday** where new individuals and families are named and prayed for at both 8:30 and 10:30 am worship services. Be sure to greet them and help them connect with our St. John's family.

2. Today we recognize the usher team led by Don and Jackie Knauff, team members include Lloyd and Marlene Randall, Roger and Judy Tews and Don Cross. This team has worked together for several decades and today is the last Sunday that this team will be serving in worship as a group. We want to show our gratitude to them and ask that you let them know how much we appreciate them!

2. **Restorative Worship - Wednesdays at 6:30 pm**
Join us for Restorative Worship for a time of community, peace, pause, and joy on Wednesdays. This is a 30-minute worship has an intentional, casual feel, providing an alternate option for worship. The abbreviated format, often with tactile elements and a tag-team sermon between our pastors, has become a great opportunity for connection for youth and families participating in Wednesday night ministries, as well as for Sunday morning worshippers looking for a mid-week boost!

3. **Thursday Morning Small Groups:**
Paper Crafters Small Group - 1st Thursdays, 9 am - 2 pm
Quilters Small Group - 2nd & 3rd Thursdays, 9 am - 2 pm
Stitchers Small Group - 4th Thursdays, 9-11 am

4. **Mary Breakfast Bunch Small Group**
Facilitator: Jackie Knauff
Meets: 1st Tuesday of every month at 8:30 am; **Meets next December 1**
Where: Cracker Barrel, Lakeville

5. **Hannah Women's Study Small Group**
Facilitator: Ruth Weber
Meets next December 2. Contact Ruth for details.
Where: St. John's
Topic: A bible study and discussion of the book of Romans led by Pastor Kim, with fellowship and treats. The study group is open to women of all ages and backgrounds.

6. **Dementia Caregivers Support Group**
If you are a family member or caregiver to someone experiencing Alzheimer's disease, join us for this small group, where you'll find an open environment for sharing feelings, thoughts, and experiences to better cope with and manage the shared problems of dementia.
Facilitators: Pastor Kim Kyllo & Colleen Dupree (of Highview Hills)
Meets: Once/month, 10:00am on the 2nd Thursday of the month we **meet next on December 10**
Where: Highview Hills

7. Please review these **sign up links** for worship helpers which have lots of openings for you to choose from. Please review them and sign up for any that work for you. If you have any questions about any of these roles, please contact the church office.

Readers

Worship Coordinators

Clickers

8. **MomCo – You'll Be in Good Company**

Are you a mom (with kids of *any* age) looking for real community? MomCo is a place with no perfect moms, no pressure, no pretending — just connection, encouragement, and genuine friendship. Whether you're navigating toddlers, teens, or simply need a place to breathe, we've saved you a seat.
All moms are welcome to enjoy fellowship and good company.

Meets the second and fourth Sunday of each month from 3–5 PM.
Questions? Email stjohnsmomco1@gmail.com.
Join us — you'll be in Good Company.

9. **Grief Support Event:** In November, St. John's will be hosting a grief support event. Scan the QR code to register. Open to anyone; feel free to invite family members or friends to participate along with you.

Surviving the Holidays Event - Monday, November 23rd, 6:30-8 pm
The holidays can be an especially tender time in grief. Join us to help prepare for a holiday season without your loved one, learn some strategies for navigating the holiday time with grief, and be in community with others who get it. We hope you find support, understanding, and feel less alone.

10. **Muhanga Student Scholarship Giving Opportunities**
As you may be aware, St. John's congregation provides a significant number of student scholarships for our companion congregation in Muhanga Tanzania. With this assistance, many eager children are able to continue their education. These scholarships are vital to the adolescents of Muhanga in helping them reach their full educational potential. If you are interested in providing scholarship assistance, please contact any member of the Church Staff or Global Missions Committee, or simply place your donation in the offering plate in an envelope with both your check & the envelope clearly marked MUHANGA SCHOLARSHIP. A single scholarship for 2027 is $400 and provides for a full year of education. However, any fractional amount is perfectly acceptable and very much appreciated.

11. More Than Just Lunch will be returning to the **History Theatre** for another wonderful performance. Beyond the Rainbow is from the early years of Judy Garland in Minnesota to her musical career starting in 1961. We will be attending it on the **3rd of December at 10:00**. The cost is **$35 which needs to be paid by the 4th of November** to insure our reservation. After the performance we will have lunch at McGovern's Pub. We will meet at church at 8:45.

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A note from Ginger Gustafson:
After four years it is time for me to turn the planning over to someone else. As of January, Sandy Johnson will be doing the planning, and, she will be open to suggestions from anyone as time goes by. Thank you to those who have participated. **Thank you Ginger** for launching this group and keeping it going from the start.

12. **Save the Date!** Veritas is coming back on **Sunday December 6th!** They will join us in worship on Sunday morning and then will present a **holiday concert at 6pm** in the Sanctuary. ***Veritas*** a nationally known *a Capella* group is coming to share their special sound with us. This Concert is free and open to the public. A freewill offering will be taken at the concert to help offset the significant cost of hosting such a group. Invite your friends for a fun evening of musical enjoyment.



13. All Saints Catholic Church, Hosanna Church, Mercy Road Church at the Crossroads and St. John's Lutheran Church invite you to the Lakeville Area Thanksgiving Prayer Service on **Tuesday, November 24 at 7:00pm**. The service will be held at Mercy Road Church. Reflection will be led by Father Zachary Ochsenbauer. Family, friends, neighbors and guests are welcome.

14. **Decorate for Advent** - Join the Worship Arts Ministry (WAM) Team after worship TODAY at 11:30 am to help decorate the sanctuary (and a bit of the narthex) for Advent! The decor will focus on this year's theme "Heaven and Nature Sing" as we explore the season of Advent anew, accompanied by the poetry of Wendell Berry. No sign up - just show up! *Do you have a dogwood? We would love to be able to get some branches for our decorating this year! Please drop them off in the office.*

15. Did you know that we have prayer shawls available near the exit? They are made with prayer and blessings by members of St. John's. You are welcome to take one to use yourself or share with someone who is in need of a symbol of God's healing arms. If you would like to know more about St. John's prayer shawl ministry, contact the church office.

St. John's Welcomes New Members:

Susan & James Calahan
Cindy & Bill Derendal
Peter & Christa DeVries, Rurik, Neil & Lydia
Michelle Feldhake
Judy Klemm
Beth & Dave Pagel, Leo and Relly
Michele & Dale Schultz
Alicia Schoenfeldt, Jack & Charlie

Sustain St. John's Expanding, Creative Ministry

It's a good time to be St. John's. We have lots of opportunities for connection, involvement, and community. Whether it's our vibrant Wednesday nights—when all generations gather for a delicious community meal, children and adults make music in choirs, and youth and adults come together in Sunday School Highlights, Ablaze, Affirm and Youth Group—or our Sunday mornings, when the sanctuary fills with long-time members and new visitors eager to hear the Good News of Jesus and put God's love into action, ministry thrives at St. John's.

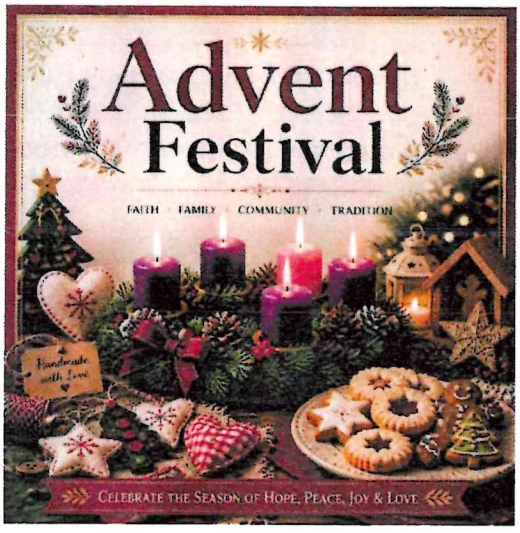


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Advent Festival

Today, November 22, 9:30-10:15am

All are welcome to our St. John's Advent Festival! Prepare for the Advent Season by learning how to make and sample some tasty treats, make Advent Ornaments, pick up Advent resources and Advent Calendars. This is a special day to celebrate the Hope, Love, Peace and Joy of the Advent season with each other!



December Worship Schedule

Sunday, November 29 - Advent 1 "Heaven and Nature Sing" Worship with Holy Baptism at 8:30 and Holy Communion at 10:30 am

Wednesday, December 2 - Restorative Worship, *10 Commandments,* at 6:30 pm

Sunday, December 6 - Advent 2 "Heaven and Nature Sing" *Worship with Holy Communion at 8:30 and 10:30 am With special guests "Veritas"* in worship and a concert at 6:00pm

Wednesday, December 9 - Restorative Worship at 6:30 pm

Sunday, December 13 - Advent 3 "Heaven and Nature Sing" Worship with Holy Communion and choral Christmas music at 8:30, and with the Sunday School Christmas Program at 10:30 am

Wednesday, December 16 - Restorative Worship, *10 Commandments,* at 6:30 pm

Sunday, December 20 - Advent 4 "Heaven and Nature Sing" Worship with Holy Communion at 8:30 and Holy Baptism at 10:30 am with Christmas Sweaters

Thursday, December 24 - "Heaven and Nature Sing" Christmas Eve Worship at 2:00, 4:00 & 6:00 pm with Holy Communion, candlelight and Chancel Choir (2&4pm). Childcare available in the nursery

Friday, December 25 - Christmas Day Worship at 10:00 am

Sunday, December 27 - 1st Sunday of Christmas Worship at 10:00 am, with Carols You Love to Sing and Holy Baptism

Those Serving Today:

Organist	Karen Olson
Lector	Edythe Long (8:30), Carolyn Metcalf (10:30)
Usher Team Leader	Paul Johnson (8:30) Joe Stoddard (10:30)
Acolyte	Elliott Mann (8:30), (10:30)
Crucifer	Noah Tresselt Warren (8:30), (10:30)
Communion Set Up & Clean Up	Kathy Ziller
Communion Servers	Kathy Ziller, Marv Larson, Jeanne Hartwig (8:30)
	Lynn Coldren, Dave Coldren, Carolyn Metcalf (10:30)
Sound Tech	Danny Barth (8:30), Ryan Wright (10:30)
Clicker Team	Kay Halvorson (8:30), (10:30)
Livestream Team	Randy Franzen
Worship Coordinator	(8:30), (10:30)
Coffee Servers	John & Jeanne Hartwig

Those Serving Next Week:

Organist	Priscilla Thoreen
Lector	Marv Larson (8:30), Carolyn Metcalf (10:30)
Usher Team Leaders	Don Knauff (8:30), (10:30)
Communion Set Up & Clean Up	Marce Johnson
Communion Servers	N/A Baptism 8:30)
	Jenni Tange, Jackie Sorensen, (10:30)
Sound Tech	Brandon Wright (8:30), Francine Capasso (10:30)
Clicker Team	Katie Henning (8:30), (10:30)
Livestream Team	Francine Capasso (8:30), Randy Franzen (10:30)
Worship Coordinator	Dan Nelson (8:30), Peter and Pam Haukoos (10:30)
Coffee Servers	John & Jeanne Hartwig, Arlene Kyte

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