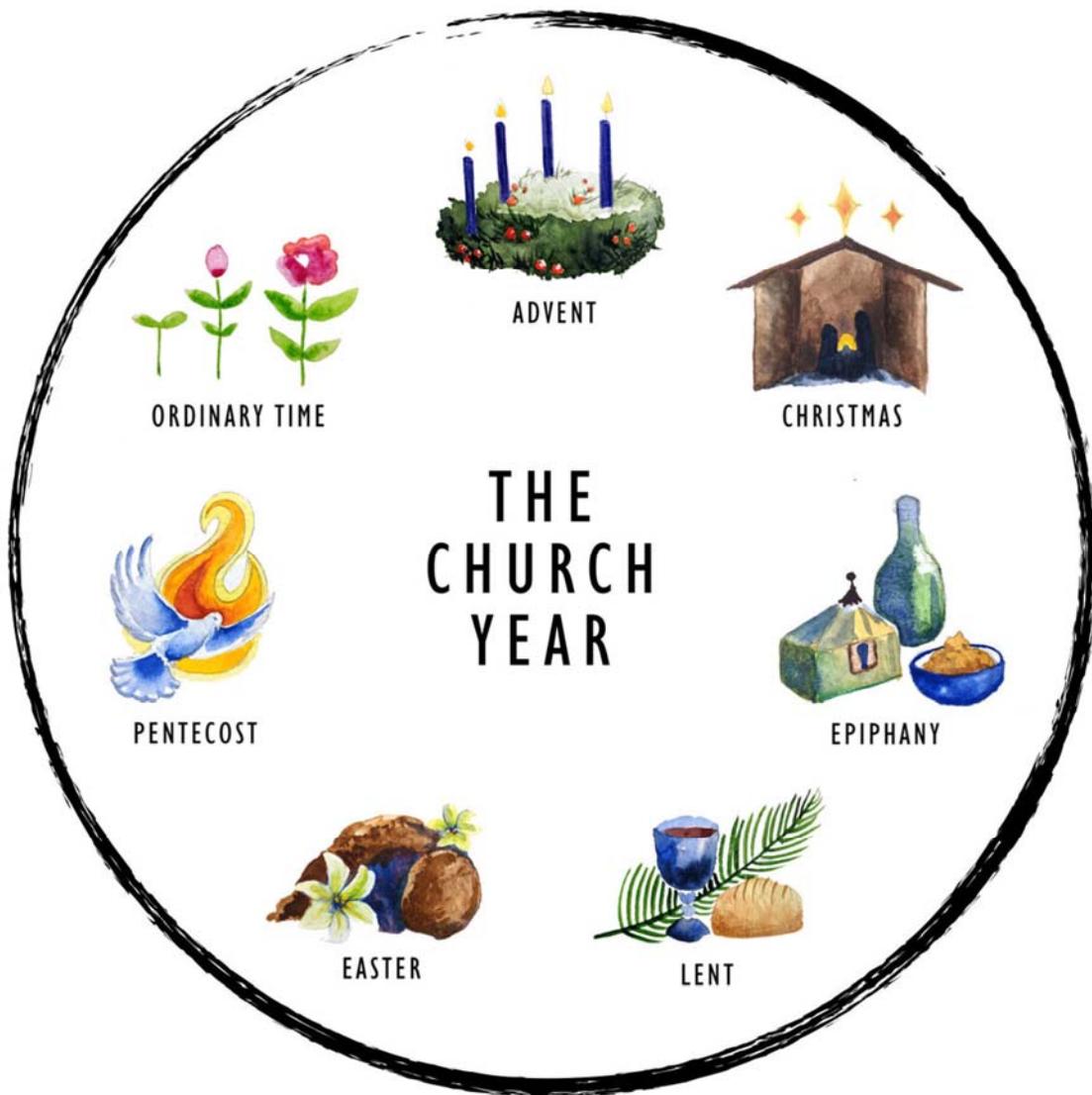


SERVICE OF WORSHIP AND HOLY COMMUNION

NOVEMBER 20, 2022
CHRIST THE KING



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WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CHRIST THE KING, IN ALL SEASONS AND TIME

Today we mark the end of the church year as we celebrate Christ the King Sunday. Traditionally, this is the day we recognize the rule of Jesus. We acknowledge the reign of God comes to us in unexpected ways: through life-giving love, a splash of water, and a bit of bread and wine. We acknowledge the reign of God welcomes the weak, heals the broken, and restores wholeness. Today, we acknowledge the reign of God is love for us in all seasons and times.

Worship on this day is a journey through the liturgical year, the way the church marks time. Beginning with Advent and continuing through Ordinary Time, we will hear God's Word and experience in song, readings, and art the message of the church's time. In this, we honor and celebrate Christ the King, in all seasons and time.

Stand

OPENING SONG, *Crown Him With Many Crowns*, verses 1 & 5 (ELW 855)



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Sit

ADVENT - THE SEASON OF EXPECTATION

The season of Advent, the four weeks before Christmas, is the beginning of the church year. Advent means 'coming' or 'arrival'. We tend to view this time as exclusively devoted to getting ready for the celebration of Jesus' birth. However, the primary focus of Advent is on Christ's second coming. The beginning of the year moves us to the end of time as we await God's coming again and the fulfillment of God's plan of justice and peace for all creation. As we journey through this time, our focus is on hope. The color of Advent, symbolizing hope, is blue.



READING: Isaiah 40:1-5 (Pew Bible page 581)

L A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Comfort, O comfort my people,
says your God.

Speak tenderly to Jerusalem,
and cry to her
that she has served her term,
that her penalty is paid,
that she has received from the LORD's hand
double for all her sins.

A voice cries out:

"In the wilderness prepare the way of the LORD,
make straight in the desert a highway for our God.

Every valley shall be lifted up,
and every mountain and hill be made low;
the uneven ground shall become level,
and the rough places a plain.

Then the glory of the LORD shall be revealed,
and all people shall see it together,
for the mouth of the LORD has spoken."

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SONG, *All Earth is Hopeful* (ELW 266)



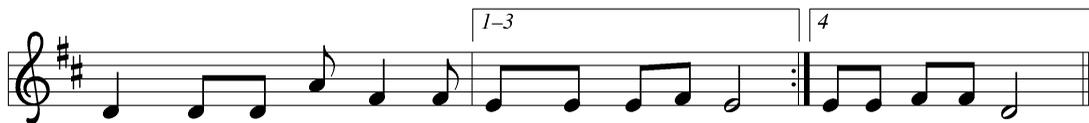
1 All earth is hope-ful, the Sav-ior comes at last!
2 Peo-ple of Is-rael, you heard the proph-et tell:
3 Moun-tains and val-leys will have to be pre-pared;
4 We first saw Je-sus a ba-by in a crib.



Fur-rows lie o-pen for God's cre-a-tive task: this, the
"A vir-gin moth-er will bear Em-man-u-el"; she con-
new high-ways o-pened, new pro-to-cols de-clared. Al-most
This same Lord Je-sus to-day has come to live in our



la-bor of peo-ple who strug-gle to see how
ceived him, "God with us," our broth-er, whose birth re-
here! God is near-ing, in beau-ty and grace! All
world; he is pres-ent, in neigh-bors we see our



God's truth and jus-tice set ev-'ry-bod-y free.
stores hope and cour-age to chil-dren of this earth.
clear ev-'ry gate-way, in haste, come out in haste!
Je-sus is with us, and

ev-er sets us free.

CHRISTMAS - THE SEASON OF EMMANUEL

Welcome Jesus! Welcome Emmanuel, God with us. The season of Christmas begins with the celebration of the birth of Jesus and continues for twelve days, ending on January 5. This is the season of gift giving as we share with friends and family. We also give to those who are less fortunate than ourselves, sharing our abundance in a variety of ways. Most importantly, Christmas is the season of God's gift, given to us in Jesus. As we journey through this time, our focus is on the presence of God in Christ coming into the world. The color of Christmas, symbolizing the light and purity of Jesus, is white.



READING: Luke 2:1-20 (Pew Bible page 832)

P A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

In those days a decree went out from Emperor Augustus that all the world should be registered. This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. All went to their own towns to be registered. Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth, and laid him in a manger, because there was no place for them in the inn.

In that region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, ‘Do not be afraid; for see—I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.’ And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

‘Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!’

When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, ‘Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.’ So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph, and the child lying in the manger. When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child; and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them. But Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them.

P The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SONG, *Joy to the World*, verses 1 & 4 (ELW 267)

1 Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth re -
4 He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the
ceive its King; let ev - 'ry heart pre - pare him
na - tions prove the glo - ries of his righ - teous -
room and heav'n and na - ture sing, and heav'n and na - ture
ness and won - ders of his love, and won - ders of his
sing, and heav'n and heav'n and na - ture sing.
love, and won - ders, won - ders of his love.

EPIPHANY - THE SEASON OF ILLUMINATION

January 6 is Epiphany Day when we celebrate the coming of the Magi to see Jesus. The season of Epiphany also includes the celebration of Jesus' baptism and the beginning of his public ministry. During Epiphany, we celebrate the revelation of Jesus in every time and place throughout our world. The color for Epiphany Day is white, symbolizing the brightness of Jesus. As we journey through this time, our focus is on the growing mission of Jesus and the color is green.



READING: Matthew 2:1-12 (Pew Bible page 783)

A A reading from the Gospel of Matthew.

In the time of King Herod, after Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, asking, ‘Where is the child who has been born king of the Jews? For we observed his star at its rising, and have come to pay him homage.’ When King Herod heard this, he was frightened, and all Jerusalem with him; and calling together all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Messiah was to be born. They told him, ‘In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it has been written by the prophet:

“And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah,
are by no means least among the rulers of Judah;
for from you shall come a ruler
who is to shepherd my people Israel.” ’

Then Herod secretly called for the wise men and learned from them the exact time when the star had appeared. Then he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, ‘Go and search diligently for the child; and when you have found him, bring me word so that I may also go and pay him homage.’ When they had heard the king, they set out; and there, ahead of them, went the star that they had seen at its rising, until it stopped over the place where the child was. When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy. On entering the house, they saw the child with Mary his mother; and they knelt down and paid him homage. Then, opening their treasure-chests, they offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC, *This Little Light of Mine*

OFFERING

Our monetary offerings are part of our worship of God. During these Covid days, the offering plate is not passed, but is located in the back of the sanctuary for your use as you enter or leave the sanctuary. One plate is brought forward at the time of the Offertory, and one remains in the back.

PRESENTATION OF OFFERING

OFFERTORY, *What Child is This, verse 3* (ELW 296)



3 So bring him in - cense, gold, and myrrh; come, peas - ant, king, to own him.



The King of kings sal - va - tion brings; let lov - ing hearts en - throne him.



Raise, raise the song on high, the vir - gin sings her lul - la - by;



joy, joy, for Christ is born, the babe, the son of Mar - y!

LENT - THE SEASON OF TURNING TO GOD

Lent marks the 40 days before Easter. This time symbolizes Jesus' forty days in the wilderness. Beginning with Ash Wednesday, Lent is a time of preparation and thoughtful reflection on our life of faith and our relationship with God and the world. Historically, Lenten disciplines or faith practices have included alms giving (sharing financial resources), prayer, and fasting. As we journey through this time, our focus is on returning to God. The color of Lent, symbolizing repentance and solemnity, is purple.



READING: Psalm 51:10-17 (*Read responsively*)

- A Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.
- C **Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.**
- A Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.
- C **Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.**
- A Deliver me from bloodshed, O God,
O God of my salvation,
and my tongue will sing aloud of your deliverance.
- C **O Lord, open my lips,
and my mouth will declare your praise.**
- A For you have no delight in sacrifice;
if I were to give a burnt offering, you would not be pleased.
- C **The sacrifice acceptable to God is a broken spirit;
a broken and contrite heart, O God, you will not despise.**

Stand

CONFESSION AND ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

P God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C **Amen.**

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 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.

Sit

SPECIAL MUSIC



HOLY WEEK - THE GREAT THREE DAYS

At the end of Lent, we mark Jesus' final week. Palm Sunday highlights Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, and often includes the reading of the Passion narrative from one of the Gospels. On Maundy Thursday, we begin the Great Three Days with the story of the Last Supper. At the service's conclusion, the altar area may be stripped of furnishings as a sign of Jesus' abandonment. The story continues with Good Friday, where the sanctuary grows gradually darker as we hear of Jesus' suffering, death, and victory on the cross according to the Gospel of John.

Stand

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER

P Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray.

C **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 COMMUNION

Sit

SHARING OF HOLY COMMUNION

As Lutherans, we believe that Christ is really present in the bread and wine we share. All are welcome to commune here. Infants and others who do not commune are invited to come forward and receive a blessing.

Please take a communion glass from the ushers on your way forward. As the pastors and lay assistants give the bread and wine, they say these words to each communicant: The body of Christ, given for you; the blood of Christ, shed for you. The communicant may say: Amen.

Gluten-free wafers are available from the pastors. Let them know that you need one when you come forward to receive the bread. For those who require it, grape juice is available instead of wine in the pre-filled, purple glasses in the communion cup trays.

READING: Mark 15:25-41 (Pew Bible page 829)

A A reading from the Gospel of Mark.

It was nine o'clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, "The King of the Jews." And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left.

Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, "Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!" In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe." Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o'clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, "Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"

When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, "Listen, he is calling for Elijah." And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, "Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down." Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, "Truly this man was God's Son!"

There were also women looking on from a distance; among them were Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James the younger and of Joses, and Salome. These used to follow him and provided for him when he was in Galilee; and there were many other women who had come up with him to Jerusalem.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SONG, *Were You There*, verses 1 & 5 (ELW 353)



1 Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
5 Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?



Were you there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?

Refrain



Oh! some-times it caus - es me to



trem-ble, trem - ble, trem - ble. Were you



there when they cru - ci - fied my Lord?
there when they laid him in the tomb?

EASTER - THE SEASON OF LIFE

Alleluia, Christ is risen! Christ is risen indeed, alleluia! The greeting rings out on Easter Sunday as we celebrate the resurrection of Jesus. Easter is the high point of the Christian year, with the celebration lasting for fifty days. One day is not enough, we rejoice at God's triumph over death and evil for a time longer than our somber period of Lent. As we journey through this time, our focus is on the risen Christ. The colors of Easter, symbolizing joy and the brightness of the resurrection dawn, are white and gold.



READING: Luke 24:1-12 (Pew Bible page 860)

L A reading from the Gospel of Luke.

But on the first day of the week, at early dawn, they came to the tomb, taking the spices that they had prepared. They found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in, they did not find the body. 4While they were perplexed about this, suddenly two men in dazzling clothes stood beside them. The women were terrified and bowed their faces to the ground, but the men said to them, "Why do you look for the living among the dead? He is not here, but has risen. Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners, and be crucified, and on the third day rise again." Then they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb, they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Mary the mother of James, and the other women with them who told this to the apostles. But these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter got up and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; then he went home, amazed at what had happened.

L The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SONG, *Jesus Christ is Risen Today*, verses 1 & 3 (ELW 365)



1 Je - sus Christ is ris'n to - day, Al - le - lu - ia!

3 But the pains which he en - dured, Al - le - lu - ia!



Our tri - um - phant ho - ly day, Al - le - lu - ia!

Our sal - va - tion have pro - cured; Al - le - lu - ia!



Who did once up - on the cross, Al - le - lu - ia!

Now a - bove the sky he's king, Al - le - lu - ia!



Suf - fer to re - deem our loss. Al - le - lu - ia!

Where the an - gels ev - er sing. Al - le - lu - ia!

PENTECOST - THE TIME OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Pentecost is the fiftieth day of Easter, a day when we celebrate the gift of the Holy Spirit and the birth of the church. It is a grand culmination of a joyous celebration. The color of Pentecost Day, symbolizing the fire of the Holy Spirit, is red.



READING: Acts 2:1-6, 43-47 (Pew Bible page 885)

A A reading from the Acts of the apostles.

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

Now there were devout Jews from every nation under heaven living in Jerusalem. And at this sound the crowd gathered and was bewildered, because each one heard them speaking in the native language of each.

Awe came upon everyone, because many wonders and signs were being done by the apostles. All who believed were together and had all things in common; they would sell their possessions and goods and distribute the proceeds to all, as any had need. Day by day, as they spent much time together in the temple, they broke bread at home and ate their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having the goodwill of all the people. And day by day the Lord added to their number those who were being saved.

A The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SONG, *O Living Breath of God* (ELW 407)



- 1 O liv-ing Breath of God, wind at the be-gin - ning up-on the wa - ters;
- 2 O liv-ing Breath of God, by whose pow'r the Son came to birth a - mong us;
- 3 O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing us to life through bap-tis-mal wa - ters;



- O liv-ing Breath of God, bear-ing the cre - a - tion to won-drous birth:
- O liv-ing Breath of God, who to the cre - a - tion gives life a - new:
- O liv-ing Breath of God, sigh-ing with cre - a - tion for free-dom's birth:

Refrain



Come now, and fill our spir - its; pour out your gifts a - bun - dant.



O liv-ing Breath of God, Ho-ly Spir-it, breathe in us as we pray.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PRAYER RESPONSE:

A . . . Hear us, O God.

C **Your mercy is great.**

ORDINARY TIME - THE SEASON OF GROWING

The rest of the church year, the time after Pentecost, is named 'ordinary time', for the ordinal numbers by which the weeks are counted, and because there are no major festivals in the life of the church that are celebrated. As we journey through this time, our focus is on Jesus' ministry and teachings. The color of the time after Pentecost, symbolizing growth in faith, is green.



READING: Ecclesiastes 3:1-8 (Pew Bible page 537)

P A reading from Ecclesiastes.

For everything there is a season, and a time for every matter under heaven:

a time to be born, and a time to die;
a time to plant, and a time to pluck up what is planted;
a time to kill, and a time to heal;
a time to break down, and a time to build up;
a time to weep, and a time to laugh;
a time to mourn, and a time to dance;
a time to throw away stones, and a time to gather stones together;
a time to embrace, and a time to refrain from embracing;
a time to seek, and a time to lose;
a time to keep, and a time to throw away;
a time to tear, and a time to sew;
a time to keep silence, and a time to speak;
a time to love, and a time to hate;
a time for war, and a time for peace.

P The word of the Lord.

C **Thanks be to God.**

SPECIAL MUSIC (*1 I AM ONLY*)

CHRIST THE KING, IN ALL SEASONS AND TIME

Our church year ends with our celebration of Christ the King, in all seasons and time. As God's people, we rejoice in the gift of love and the promise of life offered by God for us. Thanks be to God, in all seasons and time.

Stand

BLESSING

CLOSING SONG, *I Love to Tell the Story* (ELW 661)



1 I love to tell the sto - ry of un - seen things a - bove,
2 I love to tell the sto - ry: how pleas - ant to re - peat
3 I love to tell the sto - ry, for those who know it best



of Je - sus and his glo - ry, of Je - sus and his love.
what seems, each time I tell it, more won - der - ful - ly sweet!
seem hun - ger - ing and thirst - ing to hear it like the rest.



I love to tell the sto - ry, be - cause I know it's true;
I love to tell the sto - ry, for some have nev - er heard
And when, in scenes of glo - ry, I sing the new, new song,



it sat - is - fies my long - ings as noth - ing else would do.
the mes - sage of sal - va - tion from God's own ho - ly word.
I'll sing the old, old sto - ry that I have loved so long.

Refrain



I love to tell the sto - ry; 'twill be my theme in glo - ry



to tell the old, old sto - ry of Je - sus and his love.

DISMISSAL

THIS WEEK AT “OUR REDEEMER”

SUNDAY, November 20, 2022, Christ the King, Newsletter Deadline

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Growing in God (age 3-12th grade)

11:00 AM Worship

MONDAY, November 21, 2022

9:00 AM Noah’s Ark Preschool

TUESDAY, November 22, 2022

9:00 AM Noah’s Ark Preschool

WEDNESDAY, November 23, 2022

7:00 PM Chancel Choir

THURSDAY, November 24, 2022, Happy Thanksgiving! Office Closed.

FRIDAY, November 25, 2022. Office Closed

SATURDAY, November 26, 2022

5:30 PM Worship

SUNDAY, November 27, 2022, First Sunday of Advent

Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:36-44

9:00 AM Worship

10:00 AM Advent Adventure

11:00 AM Worship

5:30 PM Advent Soup Supper

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Prayers of healing and comfort are requested for George Andrewson, Carol Ausefski, Joel Beltz, Edith Bencic, Ruth Brosky, Cindy Cox, Dorothy Dillemath, Kerri Evans, Martha Fecher, Richard and Lori Gajdowski, Ray Hrabar, Mandy Jarosh, Gary McGaffic, Marilyn Melvin, Casey Moran on his deployment, Tim Roberts, Kathy Russman, Jim Tomamichel, and those friends and family members who have asked for our prayers: Chris, Doug, Kate, Sam, Matthew Alderson, George Andrewson Sr., Marjorie Appleton, Larry Arch, Sandi Babbie, Bob Bell, Tam Brister Todd Brosky, Wendy Brosky, Lorraine Brown, Doug Bush, Tom Caley, Carolyn Dagg, Ellen Deutsch, D. T. Emery, Kim Gaydos, Catie Geory, Ian Gonzalez, Norma Gower, Marion Greenland, Lisa Grimes, Mickey Gubitti, Bob Hohowski, Joyce Hough, Jeff Kaloski, Ray Keisling, June Lance, Gordon and Diane Ley, Jess Ley, Mildred Maize, Megan Meseck, Jolie Mihalik, Chuck Miller, Owen Miller, Adam Miskow, Dolores Munsick, Beth Napolitano, Marjorie Norton, Kathy Oberle, Brad Olson, Pam Pedersen, Tracey Perles, Patty Preisinger, Dave Provenzano, Cyndi Quinn, Phyllis Rhone, Betty and Frank Rively, Jeanie Rose, Joe Sarubbi, Dave Schrader, Meryl Severson, Bob Shader, Holly Shader, Karol Smith, Bernie Solo, Donna Stafford, Diane Steffick, Dan Stimmel, Gary Stinson, Andrew Straka, Terri Strawn, Tina Thielet, Deb Thompson, Barb Van Lehn, Art W., Rhianna Wilk, and Frank Yocca.

Last evening we welcomed through the Sacrament of Baptism, Luca Valentino Trojan, son of Jeffrey James Trojan and Meghan Kathleen Borden Trojan. *Welcome child of God!*

Donations for Christmas Decorations . . . Forms are available on the bulletin board and on our website. Dedications will be printed in our Christmas bulletins.

Children and Youth

Service Project – 7th-12th graders are invited to join Pastor Kerri for a pizza lunch and service project on Sunday, November 20 from 12:15 to 1:45pm. We'll be putting together worship bags for the kids at City Mission. Sign up on the bulletin board or online.

Gratitude Calendar and Tree – Pick up a copy of the “Gratitude Every Day” calendar from Pastor Kerri or from the bulletin board. It has daily prompts for reflection and conversation. There are also materials to make a “Gratitude Tree” – write each day’s gratitude on a paper leaf, and hang it on a branch or garland to reflect on all month. Send in a picture of your tree or garland as it fills up with leaves! (Packets are available on the bulletin board and can be downloaded from our website.)

Advent Soup Supper—November 27

If you enjoy making a “family favorite” soup or trying out an interesting recipe, bring a pot of soup to share. Otherwise, bring bread or dessert or just come and eat. Soups are to be dropped off by 5:15 in a crockpot or something similar. Dinner begins at 5:30.

Dining Out Divas—December 7

The ladies will enjoy lunch at Aladdin’s in McMurray at 12:30 on Wednesday, December 7.

Breakfast at the Manger—December 18

Breakfast at the Manger is the celebration of Christmas that includes singing, eating and enjoying the telling of a Christmas story around the manger in the social hall. This year’s story is “The Spider’s Gift.” Special breads, muffins, bagels or coffee cakes for 8-10 are needed (no peanuts, please). The breakfast also includes cereal, fruit and beverages.

Sign up on the bulletin board or through the church’s website for any of the above events.

Service and Social Ministry

Washington County Children and Youth Services Helping Hands . . . Shop in store and drop off a new, unwrapped gift of your choice to the church by December 4 or shop online through Amazon’s registry & gifting. Use the QR code or link found in the November newsletter or search their registry & gifting using the above title.

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