# **Festival of Christ the King**

## November 26 & 27, 2017

elcome! Thank you for joining us for worship today. In our service we gather before Jesus our Savior to offer him our worship and praise. We also gather to strengthen ourselves through the study of God's holy and powerful word. Also,

- f Restrooms are down the hall and to the right from the back of church.
- We love families! Your children are welcome in our service! Thanks for bringing them to hear about Jesus! If you would like, there are children's bulletins with crayons in the back of church and a cry room in the back of the sanctuary.
- f Please fill out the Friendship Registers located at the end of each row.
- f If you want to review or share today's service, you can find it on our website.
- f For upcoming events and activities, "like" us on our Facebook page.

Please come again and worship with us very soon!

# TODAY'S THEME: LORD, KEEP US JOYFUL IN CHRIST OUR KING

## **Worship Participants**

Liturgist	Pastor Brian Adams
Preacher	Pastor Jacob Hoff
Organist	Mrs. Sharon Larsen

## **OUR WORSHIP SERVICE**

## **SERVICE OF THE WORD**

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THE OPENING HYMN ..... "Crown Him with Many Crowns" Christian Worship #341 1 Crown him with man - v crowns, The Lamb 2 Crown him the Lord of love— Be - hold his hands 3 Crown him the Lord of life. Who tri - umphed o'er 4 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds throne: Hark the heav'n - ly an side, wounds, vet vis ble bove, In grave vic - to - rious in the strife For Crown him the King giv'n The bove; to whom is mu - sic own. wake, my fied. No an - gel in beau came save. His glo - ries now won - drous name of Love. Crown him with man him who died sing thee, And hail him sky ful ly bear that sight, But down ward died Who died sing and rose on high, e thrones be - fore him fall: Crown him. ye match-less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty. won-d'ring eye At bends his mys - ter - ies to bring And life lives that death may - nal kings, with man - y crowns For King of he is

#### Please Stand

#### THE INVOCATION

- **P:** The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.
- C: And also with you.

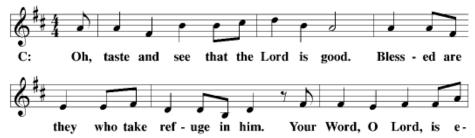
## THE CONFESSION OF SINS

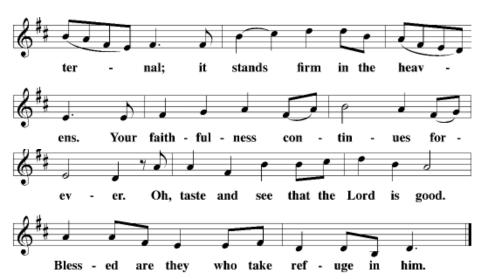
- **P:** We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.
- C: Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.
- **P:** God, our heavenly Father has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.
- C: Amen.

## **PRAYER AND PRAISE**

**P:** In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

## **OH, TASTE AND SEE**





#### PRAYER OF THE DAY

## P: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you Kin of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



Please be Seated

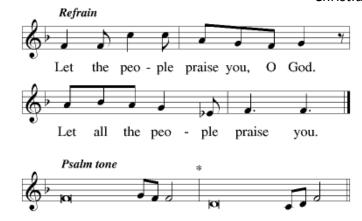
## THE WORD

THE FIRST LESSON ...... Ezekiel 34:11-16, 23-24

"'For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. <sup>12</sup> As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were

scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. <sup>13</sup> I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. <sup>14</sup> I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD. <sup>16</sup> I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.

"" <sup>23</sup> I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the LORD have spoken."

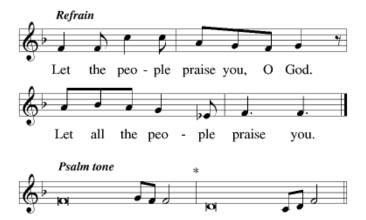


Clap your hands, all you <u>na</u>tions;\* shout to God with <u>cries</u> of joy.

How awesome is the <u>LORD</u> Most High,\* the great King over all the earth!

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God reigns over the <u>na</u>tions;\*
God is seated on his holy throne.



God has ascended amid <u>shouts</u> of joy,\* the LORD amid the sounding of <u>trum</u>pets.

Sing praises to God, sing <u>praises</u>;\* sing <u>praises</u> to our King, sing <u>praises</u>.

For God is the King of <u>all</u> the earth;\* sing to him a <u>psalm</u> of praise.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son\* and to the Holy Spirit, as it was in the beginning,\* is now, and will be forever. Amen.

Refrain

But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in turn: Christ, the first fruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. <sup>24</sup> Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death. <sup>27</sup> For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. <sup>28</sup> When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

## **VERSE OF THE DAY**



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Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. <sup>28</sup> They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup> and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. <sup>30</sup> They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. <sup>31</sup> After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

<sup>32</sup> As they were going out, they met a man from Cyrene, named Simon, and they forced him to carry the cross. <sup>33</sup> They came to a place called Golgotha (which means "the place of the skull"). <sup>34</sup> There they offered Jesus wine to drink, mixed with gall; but after tasting it, he refused to drink it. <sup>35</sup> When they had crucified him, they divided up his clothes by casting lots. <sup>36</sup> And sitting down, they kept watch over him there.<sup>37</sup> Above his head they placed the written charge against him: THIS IS JESUS, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

<sup>38</sup> Two rebels were crucified with him, one on his right and one on his left.<sup>39</sup> Those who passed by hurled insults at him, shaking their heads <sup>40</sup> and saying, "You who are going to destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself! Come down from the cross, if you are the Son of God!" <sup>41</sup> In the same way the chief priests, the teachers of the law and the elders mocked him.



Please be Seated



#### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

THE SERMON .....

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

Please be Seated

## **THANKSGIVING**

### THE OFFERING

(We invite you to sign our Friendship Registers in each pew during the offering.)

THE OFFERING PRAYER

Please Stand

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

#### THE LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins, as we forgive those who sin against us. Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.



**P:** Almighty God, we thank you for teaching us the things you want us to believe and do. Help us by your Holy Spirit to keep your Word in pure hearts that we may be strengthened in faith, guided in holiness, and comforted in life and in death, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



#### THE BLESSING

**P:** Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

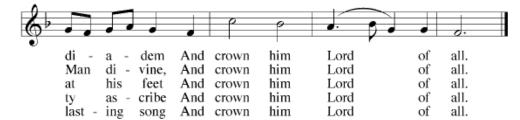
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.



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CLOSING HYMN ......"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" Christian Worship #370 hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let 2 Hail him. heirs of Da - vid's line, Whom Da - vid ye 3 Sin - ners whose love can ne'er for - get The worm-wood ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe On this ter -5 Oh. that with yon - der sa - cred throng We his at Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And pros - trate fall; Lord did call, The God in - car-nate, Man di - vine, And the gall, Go, spread your tro-phies his feet And and at res - trial ball To him all maj - es - ty as - cribe And fall! We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song And feet may crown him Bring forth the Lord of roy - al The crown him Lord of all. God in - car - nate, all. crown him Lord of Go, spread your tro-phies To him Lord of all. him all maj - es crown crown him Lord of all. We'll join the ev - er -



#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**USHERS NEEDED**: We have re-organized our crews and have open spots where we could really use ushers! Please prayerfully consider becoming an usher for your church – your help is greatly appreciated! If you are interested, please contact Kyle Brightsman at (414) 335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com.

MARY & MARTHA COOKIE SALE: A signup sheet is located in the narthex for anyone in the congregation who is interested in making Christmas cookies for the annual Mary & Martha cookie sale. Please consider baking a batch of cookies (100 cookies if possible) for this sale. Please have your cookies labeled "Mary & Martha cookie sale" and dropped off at church by 9:00a.m. on Saturday, December 9th. Anyone from St. Paul's is welcome to come and help pack the cookie boxes on Saturday, December 9th at 9am. The sale will take place after each service on Sunday and Monday, December 10th and11th. The proceeds from this sale benefit the ongoing work of the Mary and Martha Society and their support of missions.

MIDWEEK ADVENT WORSHIP SERVICE & MEAL: On Wednesday, December 13<sup>th</sup> we will be having our only Midweek Advent worship service. The Adult Choir and Grades 5-8 will be a part of this special service. The Board of Elders will also be serving a meal prior to the service beginning at 5:30pm. In order to assist in our planning for the meal, we ask you to sign-up on the sheets in the back of church if you'd like to attend the meal. If you would like to help bring some of the food items for that meal, there are sign-up sheets on the counter in the narthex as well. (If you are donating food, please have the items at church between 4:00 and 4:30pm that day.) Monetary donations are welcome any time, and there will be a free-will offering gathered at the meal.

**LIVING NATIVITY:** Our Living Nativity will be held on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> & Saturday, December 16<sup>th</sup>. There will be performances with live animals celebrating the birth of the Savior at 6:00pm, 6:30pm and 7:00pm each night. Following each performance there will be refreshments and crafts. St. Paul's families are encouraged to invite family and friends! There are flyers located in the back of church or in the school office that you can feel free to take and use for inviting others. Please consider helping volunteer for this important event where we have an opportunity to share the best news this world has ever received with our community. There is a sign-up sheet in the back of church and

school office, or contact Caleb Manske at <u>262-442-4286</u> or <u>clmanske@hotmail.com</u> for more information.

**CHURCH DECORATING**: As has become the tradition in recent years, the Confirmation Classes at St. Paul's and their families are asked to help decorate the church for the Advent and Christmas season. The church decorating will take place on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup> after the 2nd service at about 11:30 AM. Take down of the decorations will be on Sunday, January 7<sup>th</sup> at 11:30 AM.

SATURDAY MORNING BIBLE CLASS: We are studying the topic: "Idols We Never Knew We Had." A wood-carved animal figurine. A chiseled stone statue. A golden goddess. Do you have an idol-worship area set up in your home? We would say "Definitely not! I don't bow down to idols!" But sometimes we do worship idols and make them our gods, not even realizing they are there. Our upcoming study will bring to light these idols that hide themselves so easily in our homes and hearts, and through God's guidance and power we'll get help to avoid worshiping these false gods. Please come and join us. We begin at 8:00am. Breakfast is also served. Below is our schedule:

Idols We Never Knew We Had:

Sports – December 9, 2017 Technology – January 13, 2018 Politics – February 10, 2018 Family – February 24, 2018 Religion – March 10, 2018

**SUMMER 2018 TRIP TO CHINA:** One of our congregation members, Qiong Melching is excited to present this travel opportunity to all of our church families! Mrs. Melching invites you and your family to participate in a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity - An Educational Tour of China-Beijing, Xi'an and Shanghai! Visit the Great Wall, see the Terra Cotta Army, enjoy an Acrobatics Show, and experience many other locations, sites, and tastes of China. The trip is organized through Education First (EF), the largest organizer of academic tours in the U.S., thus, the trip is aimed at students 7th grade and up, but <u>all ages</u> are welcome. Call or Text (414-368-7026) or email Mrs. Melching (yangqiong m@yahoo.com) for more information.

**YOUTH GROUP**: We are in need of volunteers to help with supervision of our Youth Group events. We typically meet one Sunday evening a month for a few hours. If you are able to help, please contact Kyle Brightsman at (414) 335-2906 or kgb5217@gmail.com.

**PRESCHOOL POWER HOUR:** Join us at Power Hour two Thursdays a month! Open to children ages 0-4 with their caregivers. Meet us in the church narthex from 10:45-11:45 AM on the following dates: December 14<sup>th</sup>, January 11<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>, February 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, March 8<sup>th</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, April 12<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> and May 10<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>. See the insert in today's bulletin for more information. There are also extra copies on the narthex counter to pass along to a friend!

**LUTHERAN CHORALE**: The Lutheran Chorale of Milwaukee under the direction of Mary Prange will present its annual *Prelude to Christmas* concert on Sunday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 & 4:30 PM at Abiding Word Lutheran Church (9420 W. Capitol Drive – Milwaukee). The organ prelude presented by Lynn Kozlowski will begin twenty minutes prior to the concert. The concert will include music for choir, brass, organ and congregational singing. A freewill offering will be collected.

HOST AN INTERNATIONAL STUDENT: Host a WLHS International Student for the Spring Semester--Impact the lives of international students living away from home by becoming a WLHS homestay family for the spring 2018 semester. Homestay families make an international student a welcome member of their family, provide a room with a study space, provide breakfast and dinner meals, arrange for school transportation, and mentor and discipline the international student. A monthly stipend is offered to allow you to provide a great experience for the student. Visit www.wlhs.org/homestay to download the application. Applications must be received by Friday, December 1. For additional questions, E-mail Director of the International Program Eric Duwe at eric.duwe@wlhs.org.

WLHS CHRISTMAS POPS CONCERT: Enjoy early Christmas merriment at the annual Christmas Pops Concert on Sunday, December 3, at 3:00 p.m. in the WLHS auditorium. This concert features the WLHS Concert Band, A Cappella Choir, Inspiration, Wisco Kids Show Choir, Jazz Ensemble, Jubilation Handbell Choir, and other instrumental ensembles. Admission is free, and a freewill offering will be taken during the concert. Afterward, enjoy a reception of Christmas cookies, coffee, and punch.

WLHS SACRED CHRISTMAS CONCERT: The annual Sacred Christmas Concert will take place on Sunday, December 17, at 7:00 p.m. in the WLHS auditorium. The concert will feature the A Cappella, Cantorei, and Freshman Choirs of WLHS, Inspiration, Jubilation Handbell Choir, Wisconsin Lutheran Children's Choir, and numerous instrumentalists. Admission is free, and a freewill offering will be taken during the concert.

CHRISTMAS AT WISCONSIN LUTHERAN SEMINARY: Join the Seminary Chorus on December 10<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 and 7:00 PM for *Christmas at the Seminary*. The men's choir will share the story of Jesus' birth in songs, carols and hymns. Wisconsin Lutheran Seminary is located in Mequon at 11831 N. Seminary Drive. The concert is held in the campus auditorium, and seating is available on a first-come, first-seated basis. The 3:00 PM concert is streamed live at http://livestream.com/WLSLive.

Wisconsin Lutheran High School JOB OPENING: Wisconsin Lutheran High School's Mission Advancement office is looking to hire a development officer. Primary responsibilities include: carry a portfolio of young alumni, manage volunteers and interns, research and grant writing, and assist the Director of Advancement Services. Blackbaud or donor database experience desired. Please submit resume and cover letter by Monday, December 4, to Jodi Lunow, Human Resources Specialist, at jodi.lunow@wlhs.org, or via mail: 330 North Glenview Avenue, Milwaukee, WI 53213.

## **VOLUNTEERS**

## **GREETERS THIS WEEK (November 26 & 27)**

8:00 AM – David & Marlene Horn 10:30 AM – Ron & Jaime Petricek; Austin, Arthur & Aaron 6:30 PM – Water & Laurie Falkowski

## **GREETERS NEXT WEEK (December 3 & 4)**

8:00 AM – Corrine Mayer 10:30 AM – Gordon & Michele Lesser 6:30 PM – Richard & Kathy Hinz

#### **USHERS FOR NOVEMBER**

**8:00 AM** – TEAM #3 – Donn Johnson, John Migacz, Todd Grunze, Frank Krajewski **10:30 AM** – TEAM #7 – David Brightsman, Kyle Brightsman, Nolan Romeis, Randy Raduenz, Luke Raduenz

**6:30 PM** – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

### **USHERS FOR DECEMBER**

**8:00 AM** – TEAM #4 – Pete Kosovich, Craig Gebert, Matt Gebert, Gordy Lesser **10:30 AM** – TEAM #8 – Terry Ganyo, Jacob Marciniak, Fred Socha **6:30 PM** – TEAM #9 – Terry Plant, John Kiesow

## **ALTAR GUILD**

Nov 22-28 – TEAM #1 – Sherry Kosovich, Beverly Garves, Sue Stempel Nov 29-Dec 5 – TEAM #1 – Sherry Kosovich, Beverly Garves, Sue Stempel

## REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE

Nov 26: Happy Thanksgiving!

Dec 3: Set-up – Don & Marge Gebert, Clean-up – Mark & Kristin Hernon

## THE WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday, November 26	
Worship Service	8:00 AM
NO Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	
NO Bible Information Class	
Worship Service	10:30 AM
Monday, November 27	
Worship Service	6:30 PM
Tuesday, November 28	
PSCIC	6:00 PM
Board of Spiritual Growth	7:00 PM
Wednesday, November 29	
Senior Choir Rehearsal	6:30 PM
Men's Open Gym	

Friday, December 1 School Devotion	1:00 PM
Sunday, December 3	
Worship Service with Communion	8:00 AM
Adult Bible Study/Sunday School	9:15 AM
Bible Information Class	9:15 AM
Worship Service with Communion	10:30 AM

#### Statistics – Last Week

Attendance: 8:00 AM – 117, Communed – 89
10:30 AM – 132, Communed – 82
6:30 PM – 46, Communed – 29
Total Attendance – 295
Total Communed – 200
Sunday Bible Class – 28, Sunday School – 16
Saturday Bible Class – 8
Bible Information Class – 4

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