

Christ the King Sunday!

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements Worship Leader: Lyn Saltzman

Christ's Light "Sanctuary" #2164

**(Please stand as you are able)*

*Call to Worship

We meet this day in the name of a different kind of king.

We meet in the name of Christ, whose kingdom is not of this world.

Christ's kingdom is not one of earthly power or domination.

Christ's kingdom is a Kingdom of Truth: Christ's is the Kingdom of God!

***Opening Hymn** "He Is Exalted"

Opening Prayer

Almighty and everlasting God, through Christ, our heavenly king, you draw us to yourself. You are so full of grace and love, we cannot even imagine the reality. Speak to us this hour the message you would have us hear, so that we might grow in our faith and service in Christ's name. Amen.

New Testament Reading Revelation 1:4b-8
Liturgist: Janice Swenson

Children's Moment: Puppets
[After Children's Moment, children may go to the nursery or return to their parents.]

Gospel Reading John 18:33-38

Sermon "The Truth About Christ The King"
Pastor Melanie Adams

Sharing of Prayers: Celebrations and Concerns

(Where have you seen God's presence? What joys and concerns are in your hearts and minds?)

Prayer Song "I Have Decided to Follow Jesus"

Silent Meditation & Pastoral Prayer

Lord's Prayer #895

Offertory

The Doxology "Give Thanks"

*Offertory Prayer [Unison]

Loving and Gracious God, we respond to you with joy as we lift up these gifts. The opportunity to share is a blessing for which we are very thankful. And we dedicate these gifts and our lives to your service. In Christ we pray. Amen.

***Closing Hymn** "Amazing Grace/My Chains are Gone"

Our Purpose

What is our purpose? **To provide a place for all to BELONG to our community, BELIEVE in and experience the transforming love of Jesus Christ, and BECOME his disciples. BELONG! BELIEVE! BECOME!**

Benediction

Benediction Response "Grace Alone" #2162

Postlude

UPDATED 740 Prayer Initiative

(Thank you for stepping up your prayers for our congregation! Set your phones to remind yourself to stop at 7:40 am and/or 7:40 pm each day to pray for our church and the mission and ministry we are called to do. Where did we come up with the number 740? It is our street address number. If you can't pray at 7:40, choose another time. The important thing is that we are praying!)

Scriptures for prayer: "So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we will reap at harvest-time, if we do not give up" Galatians 6:9.

"Glory to God, who is able to do far beyond all that we could ask or imagine by his power at work within us" Ephesians 3:20.

Please pray that God continues to work in our hearts and through the work of our hands so that others may also come to experience Christ's love. Pray that God would lead us and equip us for the living out of our purpose (what we repeat at the end of each service). And pray that God help each of us to be a follower of Christ committed to living a life of worship & hospitality, a life of opening our heart to the Holy Spirit, and a life of service & generosity. Pray for those who are seated around you in worship, whether you know them by name or not. Remember to lift up the need of our community and world. Pray the news: as you listen to the news of each day pray about each situation.

Give thanks to God! "Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you" 1 Thessalonians 5: 16-18

PRAYERS

Please see the Prayer Board outside the office for ongoing prayer requests.

Pray for our congregation: For the ministry of making, nurturing, and sending out of disciples; because we believe that God's Love is the answer for the most difficult questions of our world today.

Jesus changes lives!

Lucille Blecha

Gerald Campbell

Family of Cindy DeLeon

Aiden Krohn

Family of Marty Miller

Emily Sporer

Bill Valcoure

Thoughts to Ponder

Do you find your work meaningful and/or enjoyable, or is it just a paycheck? If the answer is "no," is there some aspect of your work that you can find joy in after hearing today's sermon? If you are retired, did your work give you joy?

Events this week in church:

Sunday, November 25th

- 9:30 am Sunday school
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Fellowship
- 4:00 pm Hanging of the Greens

Tuesday, November 27th

- 7:00 pm SPPRC

Wednesday, November 28th

- 5:00 pm Sittin' With Jesus
- 5:45 pm Table Talk Meal
- 6:30 pm Table Talk Classes

Thursday, November 29th

- 7:00 pm L.C.S. Group

Friday, November 30th

- 6:00 pm Parlor in Use

Saturday, December 1st

- 8:30 am Parlor in Use
- 9:00 am Cookie Day

Sunday, December 2nd

IMPACT Sunday

- 9:30 am Sunday school
- 10:30 am Worship Service
- 11:30 am Fellowship



Sunday, Dec. 9th

Caroling

Sunday, Dec. 16th

Christmas Program
Salvation Army Bell
Ringing

Monday, Dec. 24th

5:30 pm Christmas
Eve Service



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