

Christ the King Sunday
NOVEMBER 25-26, 2023

ORDERS OF WORSHIP

Saturday Spoken Vespers - 5pm

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Confession & Forgiveness

Litany of Praise

Prayer of the Day

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Message

Hymn of the Day ELW 666

Creed, Prayers and Peace

Offertory

The Words of Communion

Communion

The Lord's Prayer

Blessing & Sending

Sunday Liturgical - 10am

Prelude

Confession & Forgiveness

Opening Hymn ELW 456

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Lucas Jordan Pollock

Prayer of the Day

Bible Readings

Psalm of the Day Psalm 95:1-7a

Gospel Acclamation

Today's Message

Hymn of the Day ELW 666

Prayers & Peace

Offertory

"Rise! Shine! Somebody's Knockin' at Your Door"

*By Pastor Ralph Mineo &
Brennen Durst*

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WEEKLY WORSHIP
BULLETIN FOR
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YOU BELONG HERE

We welcome you to our congregation this weekend! We are glad to have you with us. We celebrate Holy Communion at every service. If you are a baptized Christian, please join us at the Lord's Supper. We ask that you come down the center aisle as directed and receive your wafer and wine as you walk back to your seat.

If you are new to us, everything you need for worship is projected on the screen and in this bulletin. Please feel free to use the red hymnal found in your pew, if you are more comfortable. The pages and hymn numbers are to the left of this bulletin.

Please join us for coffee after worship in the lobby.

Should you need a bathroom, they are through the glass doors in the back of the nave (sanctuary) and down the hallway on your left. A family/handicap accessible restroom with baby changing station is available in the front lobby (Peach Street entrance).

TODAY'S THEME

On this final Sunday of the church year our gospel is Jesus' great story of judgment. In the end, the faithful are those who served Christ by ministering to those who are poor, hungry, naked, sick, or estranged. In the first reading God is the shepherd who seeks the lost, weak, and injured and feeds them with justice. We gather this day to celebrate the reign of Christ and his victory over death, yet we await the consummation of all things yet to come. Acknowledging Christ as our merciful ruler, we go forth that his reign may be known in our loving words and deeds.

Today's Bible Readings

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| Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 | Pew Bible p. 702 |
| Ephesians 1:15-23 | Pew Bible p. 949 |
| Psalm 95:1-7a | Pew Bible p. 479 |
| Matthew 25:31-46 | Pew Bible p. 807 |

Today's Message

"What the World Needs Now"
by Rev. Ralph Mineo

PRAYER OF THE DAY:

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.

PSALM RESPONSE:



Psalm 95:7

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OUR PRAYER LISTS:

Members: Gayle Matthis, Joan Wheeler, Lynn Schrimper, Robert Schlaufman, Kellie Montifiori, Sharon Hetrick, Judy Crissman, Sandy Alwens, and the Varner Family.

Cancer treatments: Ellen Stevens

Friends of the congregation: Jeff LaLonde, Ryan Meyers, Sami D, Jamey Price, Ken Marshall, Amanda VanLoon, Richard D., Ernie Winter, Jarod Stolz, Fran Moriarty, Audrey Hetrick, Astro Rys, Vernon Thompson, Amy Nupp, Michelle S., Rev. Rhodes and family as they mourn the loss of Owen Jr., Natalie Zimmerly, and David Gaston.

Cancer Friends: Bishop Lozano, Pastor Ken Larson, Lee S, Janie G, Karen B, Norm S, Tony Paggio, Vicki Hanson, Edward Scarpitti, Beaty Emch, Ruth Stiles, Admiral Brent Scott, Katrina, Arlene Rick, Glicerica Conuel, Becky, Nicole C., and Ian Minner.

Other prayer requests: The congregation of St. John's to remain strong and faithful as we journey through the months to come.

If you are interested in joining the Chancel Choir just for the Advent and Christmas Season you would be more than welcome. Let's make a joyful noise to the Lord for the Holidays. Please contact Kathy Swanson for rehearsal times over the Holidays.

BIBLE STUDY: Rev. Jerry Gray will be leading a bible study on the gospels entitled "A Walk With Jesus" on Tuesdays at 10AM in the Assembly room. This is a 4-week bible study running from November 7th-28th.

POINSETTIA GARDEN: Poinsettia garden order forms are now available. Suggested donation is \$10 per plant. Forms and donations are due by Monday, December 11th.

The flowers on the altar today are in memory of the birthday of their grandmother, Emma Schauerman and in memory of the passing of their mother, Martha Stoops by Marilyn Stoops Bertges and Daniel Stoops.