

IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES

- Face coverings and six-foot physical distancing are required.
- Entry to the building will be through the main entrance. Exit will be through the side entrance.
- To record attendance and for possible contact tracing purposes, you will be required to sign in upon entry.
- To safeguard your health and the health of our worship leaders and to ensure the cleanest air possible, Guardian Angel air purifiers with HEPA filters and UV lighting have been purchased and will be set up in the nave and chancel areas.
- Hand sanitizing stations will be on-site. Please apply hand sanitizer upon entry.
- To maintain appropriate physical distancing, every other pew will be open for seating. Members of the same household may sit together in the same pew.
- Hymnals will not be needed and will be removed.
- We will refrain from hugging or handshaking. The Sharing of the Peace will be done by wave.
- The service will be a service of Holy Communion, and the Assisting Minister and Pastor will commune worshipers where you are seated. Please bring a small cup to receive the communion wine.
- Per CDC, ELCA and synod guidelines, to minimize the risk of spreading droplets and aerosols, there will be no choir or congregational singing. Alla will provide the music with one vocal leader singing the hymns for us to listen to and/or hum along to.
- Bulletins will be sent electronically for viewing on phones, and paper copies will be available on a table or stand for pickup.
- An offering plate will be on a table/stand for you to give your gift as you arrive.
- Face coverings and small cups will be available in case you forgot to bring yours.
- Pastor will continue to record and post our remote services each week for those who are unable to attend our indoor services. Alla will continue providing Prelude and Postlude for these services.
- Persons shall not attend if you are feeling unwell, have tested positive for COVID-19 within the last 14 days, have recently been in contact with someone with symptoms or has tested positive, or have recently returned from travel to a high risk state.



Christ the King
ELW setting 3

November 22, 2020

10:00 a.m.

GATHERING

PRELUDE *Come, Thou Almighty King*, Lani Smith, Tune ITALIAN HYMN by Felice de Giardini

GREETING

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign marked at baptism, as the presiding minister begins.

Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,
in whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved. **Amen.**

Silence for reflection and self-examination.

Holy One,

we confess that we are not awake for you.

We are not faithful in using your gifts.

We forget the least of our siblings.

We do not see your beautiful image in one another.

We are infected by sin that divides your beloved community.

Open our hearts to your coming,

open our eyes to see you in our neighbor,

open our hands to serve your creation. Amen.

Beloved, we are God's children,
and Jesus, our Beloved, opens the door to us.

Through † Jesus you are forgiven,

by Jesus you are welcome,

in Jesus you are called to rejoice!

Let us live in the promises prepared for us
from the foundation of the world. **Amen.**

HYMN #715 CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT

Longing for light, we wait in darkness.

Longing for truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
your holy people, light for the world to see.

Refrain: Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness.

Christ, be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

Longing for peace, our world is troubled.

Longing for hope, many despair. Your word alone,
has pow'r to save us. Make us your living voice. (*Refrain*)

Longing for food, many are hungry.

Longing for water, many still thirst. Make us your bread,
broken for others, shared until all are fed. (*Refrain*)

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.

Longing for warmth, many are cold. Make us your building,
sheltering others, walls made of living stone. (*Refrain*)

Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.

Let us be servants, to one another, signs of your kingdom come. (*Refrain*)

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.**

WORD

THE LESSON

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

PSALM 95:1-7a

spoken responsively

¹Come, let us sing | to the LORD;

let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.

²**Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.**

³For you, LORD, | are a great God,
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.

⁴**In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;
the heights of the hills are | also yours.**

⁵The sea is yours, | for you made it,

and your hands have molded | the dry land.
⁶**Come, let us worship | and bow down,
let us kneel before the | LORD our maker.**

^{7a}For the LORD | is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep | of God's hand.

HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew. **Glory to you, O Lord.**
The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

"A Holy Surprise"

Pastor Derrick Fallon

HYMN # 838 BEAUTIFUL SAVIOR

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee,
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
now and forevermore be thine!

* PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Each portion of the prayers ends with one of these responses:

Lord, in your mercy, hear our prayer.	Hear us, O God. Your mercy is great.	Bless we the Lord Thanks be to God!
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(The prayers conclude:)

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you always. **And also with you.**

MEAL

* OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of all goodness,
generations have turned to you,
gathered around your table,
and shared your abundant blessings.
Number us among them
that, as we gather these gifts from your abundance,
and give thanks for your rich blessings,
we may feast upon your very self
and care for all that you have made,
through Jesus Christ, our Sovereign and Servant. **Amen.**

PREFACE DIALOGUE

PREFACE FOR PENTECOST

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

WORDS OF INSTITUTION AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO COMMUNION:

There is a place for you at the banquet.
Come and feast at Jesus' table.

COMMUNION PRAYER

Lord Jesus, in this simple meal you have set a banquet.
Sustain us on the journey,
strengthen us to care for the least of your beloved children,
and give us glad and generous hearts
as we meet you on the way. **Amen.**

SENDING

* BLESSING

May the God of all creation,
in whose image we are made,
who claims us and calls us beloved,
who strengthens us for service,
give you reason to rejoice and be glad!
The blessing of God, Sovereign, † Savior, and Spirit,
be with you today and always. **Amen.**

* DISMISSAL

Beloved of God, go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

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IN OUR PRAYERS

Prayer Request books can be found at each entryway. Requests written in the Prayer books will be included in today’s prayers; someone is added to the Prayer List by a note to Pastor or the church office, and will run for **four consecutive Sundays**. Requests may be renewed.

PRAYERS OF THANKSGIVING are offered for all those celebrating birthdays this week, including **Bill Zoeller (Nov 22), Nancy Perez (Nov 25), Reid Fitter and Laura White (Nov 28)**.

CARE AND HEALING: Kimberly Bernardo, Ken Bielemeier, Jordan Ferenc, Rita Hausdorff, Charles Isaacs, Uncle Cas (C. P. Jannis), Joy Johansen, Liam Ledbetter-Dunn, Ann Moores, Joey Peter, Terri Rhodes, Marie Rhodes-Ryan, Toni Rohde, Tracey Roberts, Adrienne Rubenstein, Al Stauderman, George Utley III

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WORSHIP ATTENDANCE November 15 28

SERVING TODAY

Greeter	Diana VanDam
Assisting Minister	Linda Kopp
Reader	Ken D’Arinzo
Altar Guild	Agneta Aspinwall, Yin Kahler
Vocal Leader	Deb D’Arinzo
Director of Music	Dr. Alla Borzova
Presiding Minister	Rev. Dr. Derrick T. Fallon

SERVING NEXT SUNDAY

Greeter	Ken Fitter
Assisting Minister	Linda Kopp
Reader	Melba Grieshaber
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