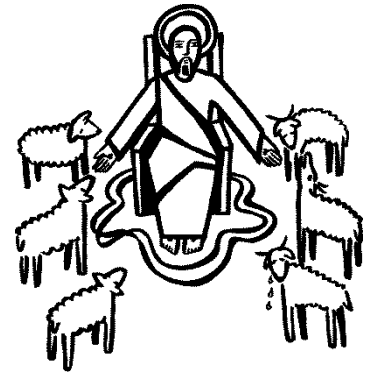


Trinity Lutheran Church in Spooner, WI
Sunday, November 22, 2020
Christ the King Sunday



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.

Prelude *"Beautiful Savior"*

Welcome/Announcements

Gathering Hymn *"Lift High the Cross"* ELW #660

We are gathered in the name of the Father, and of the Son (+), and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

Let us pray

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD FOR THE SEASON: *Introduction to the Church Year*

ADVENT

Scripture Reading **Isaiah 40:1-5**

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."

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Reflection *"The Voice"*

Advent Hymn *"O Come! O Come! Emmanuel" (vs. 1-4)* ELW #257

CHRISTMAS

Scripture Reading

A reading from the Gospel according Luke the 2nd Chapter

Glory to You O Lord

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.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection

Christmas Hymn

“Away in A Manger” (vs. 1 & 3)

ELW #277

EPIPHANY

Scripture Reading

Matthew 2:1-2, 9-12

A reading from the Gospel according to Matthew the 2nd Chapter

Glory to You O Lord

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?...⁹When 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.¹⁰When they saw that the star had stopped, they were overwhelmed with joy.¹¹On 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.¹²And having been warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they left for their own country by another road.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection

Epiphany Hymn

“Songs of Thankfulness and Praise” (vs. 1, 2, 4)

ELW #310

LENT

Scripture Reading

Isaiah 53:4-6

A reading from the prophet, Isaiah:

Surely he has borne our infirmities and carried our diseases; yet we accounted him stricken, struck down by God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, crushed for our iniquities; upon him was the punishment that made us whole, and by his bruises we are healed. All we like sheep have gone astray; we have all turned to our own way, and the LORD has laid on him the iniquity of us all.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Reflection

Lenten Hymn

“O Lord, Throughout These Forty Days” (v. 1)

ELW #319

HOLY WEEK

Scripture Reading

John 19:16-18

A reading from the Gospel according to John the 19th Chapter

Glory to You O Lord

Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus; and carrying the cross by himself, he went out to what is called The Place of the Skull, which in Hebrew is called Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection

Good Friday Hymn

“Were You There?” (vs 1& 4)

ELW #353

EASTER

Scripture Reading

Mark 16:1-8

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark the 16th Chapter

Glory to You O Lord

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week, when the sun had risen, they went to the tomb. They had been saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?” When they looked up, they saw that the stone, which was very large, had already been rolled back. As they entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.” So they went out and fled from the tomb, for terror and amazement had seized them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection

Easter Hymn

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today" (vs. 1 & 4)

ELW #365

PENTECOST

Scripture Reading

Acts 2:1-4

A reading from the Acts the 2nd Chapter

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.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God.

Reflection

Pentecost Hymn

"Spirit Gentleness" (vs 1,3, 4)

ELW #396

ORDINARY TIME – Season after Pentecost

Scripture Reading

Mark 4:30-32

A reading from the Gospel according to Mark the 4th Chapter

Glory to You O Lord

He also said, "With what can we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable will we use for it? It is like a mustard seed, which, when sown upon the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet when it is sown it grows up and becomes the greatest of all shrubs, and puts forth large branches, so that the birds of the air can make nests in its shade."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection

Hymn Sundays after Pentecost

"We All Are One in Mission" (vs 1 & 3)

ELW #576

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Conclusion of the Church Year

Scripture Reading

John 18:33-37

A reading from the Gospel according to John the 18th Chapter

Glory to You O Lord

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be

fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Reflection

Christ the King Hymn of Faith *Crown Him with Many Crowns"* (vs. 1, 4, 5)

ELW #855

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Gathered with the saints by the river of life and surrounded by the great cloud of their witness, let us pray for the well-being of the church of God, the peace of the whole world, and the welfare of all people.

Silence for reflection

God of justice, you rule far above all dominions. Establish your power over the nations and those who govern them, that all families of the earth would gather under your righteous reign. We pray in hope,
make all things new.

God of creation, you declare your glory in the heavens and the earth. Sustain your handiwork of space and sea, of sky and soil, of stars and seeds, that all creatures would praise you with one voice. We pray in hope,
make all things new.

God of love, you nourish and sustain us as a shepherd cares for his flock. Enable this congregation to seek the lost, bring back the straying, bind up the injured, and strengthen the weak. We pray in hope,
make all things new.

God of peace, you proclaim your presence in all places and conditions of life. Extend your reign of gentle healing to those hospitalized, or ill in mind, body or spirit - and their caregivers. Grant that all who suffer would be enveloped by your comfort. We lift before you this day our homebound members, and those we name aloud or silently in our hearts. We pray in hope,
make all things new.

God of heaven, you promise to prepare a place for us in your eternal home. Encourage us on our earthly journey, that with all the faithful departed, we may reach at last your promised land. We pray in hope,
make all things new.

All blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be yours, O God, through Christ the crucified and risen one who taught us to pray...

Lord's Prayer

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

OFFERING OUR GIFTS TO GOD

OFFERTORY RESPONSE *"We Give Thee But Thine Own"* (vs. 1) ELW #686

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy. The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

Amen.

SENDING HYMN *"Go, My Children, with my Blessing"* ELW #543

DISMISSAL

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

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

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