

See Jesus as
He Is

November 26, 2023



Christ the King

Last Sunday in End Time- November 26, 2023

Welcome! Thank you for joining us for worship! In our service, we receive God's grace through his Word and sacraments. As he works to strengthen our faith in Jesus, we respond to his goodness with our prayers, praise, and offerings. We are glad to be here and glad that you have joined us today!

- Restrooms are located in the main hallway, narthex, and back classrooms.
- If you wish to step out of the service to calm your child, please feel welcome to use the Fellowship Hall or the Toddler Sunday School Room (located in the back corner classroom of the building, connected to the Fellowship Hall). Both of these rooms have televisions showing the worship service. Also, please do not hesitate to ask an usher or any member if you need help locating anything. We want to make you feel welcome.

Serving the Lord and Serving Us:

Pastor: Rev. Paul Jenkins

Today's Focus: Christ the King lives in glory and reigns with all power for his Church. Our worship follows *Morning Praise*.

We Come into the Presence of God

PASTOR'S GREETING AND INTRODUCTION TO WORSHIP

MUSICAL INTRODUCTION

This is an opportunity to quiet your mind and heart and prepare for the joy of worshipping your God.

STAND

MORNING HYMN:



1 Fa - ther, we praise you, now the night is o - ver, Ac - tive and
2 Mon - arch of all things, fit us for your man - sions; Ban - ish our
3 All - ho - ly Fa - ther, Son, and e - qual Spir - it, Trin - i - ty



watch - ful, stand - ing now be - fore you. Sing - ing, we of - fer
weak - ness, health and whole - ness send - ing. Bring us to heav - en,
bless - ed, send us your sal - va - tion. Yours is the glo - ry,



prayer and med - i - ta - tion; Thus we a - dore you.
where your saints u - nit - ed Joy with - out end - ing.
gleam - ing and re - sound - ing Through all cre - a - tion.

INVOCATION

M: In the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

CONFESSION

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin. For faithless worrying and selfish pride, for sins of habit and sins of choice, for the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do, you should cast me away from your presence forever. O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord. For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

C: Christ, have mercy.

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

M: Lord of life, live in us that we may live for you.

C: Amen.

M: The Spirit of the Lord fills the world: let us worship him.

OH, COME, LET US SING TO THE LORD

C: Oh, come, let us sing to the Lord, let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our sal - va - tion. Let us come into his presence with thanks-giv - ing, let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise. For the Lord is a great God and a great king a-bove all gods. The deep places of the earth are in his hand; the heights of the hills are al - so his. The sea is his, for he made it, and his hand formed the dry land. Oh, come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the Lord our mak - er. For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

The musical score is written on a single staff in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a common time signature (C). The melody consists of eighth and quarter notes, with rests. The lyrics are placed below the staff, aligned with the notes. The score ends with a double bar line.

PRAYER

M: 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 King of kinds 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.

C: **Amen.**

BE SEATED

THE WORD

FIRST LESSON

Isaiah 51:4-8

With the word of his salvation, the King will call faithful followers from around the world, and in the end will deliver them from all enemies.

Pay attention to me, O my people.
My nation, listen to me!
For the law will go out from me,
and I will establish my justice as a light to the peoples.
⁵ My righteousness is near.
My salvation goes forth,
and my arms will bring justice to the peoples.
The seacoasts will wait for me.
They will have confidence in my arm.
⁶ Lift up your eyes to the heavens.
Look closely at the earth beneath,
because the heavens will vanish like smoke,
and the earth will wear out like a garment,
and its inhabitants will die like gnats.
But my salvation will remain forever,
and my righteousness will never be abolished.
⁷ Listen to me, you people who know righteousness,
you people who have my law in your hearts.
Do not fear the insults of men,
and do not be discouraged by their abuse.
⁸ Because a moth will consume them like a garment,
and its worm will consume them like wool.
But my righteousness will remain forever,
and my salvation will last for all generations.

PSALM 45

Read Responsively

M: My heart is stirred by a noble theme

C: as I recite my verses for the King.

M: You are the most excellent of men,

C: and your lips have been anointed with grace.

M: Gird your sword upon your side, O Mighty One;

C: clothe yourself with glory and majesty.

M: In your majesty ride forth victoriously;

C: let your hand display awesome deeds.

M: Your throne, O God, will last forever and ever;

C: a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom.

M: You love righteousness and hate wickedness;

C: therefore God has anointed you with the oil of joy.

M: I will perpetuate your memory through all generations;

C: therefore the nations will praise you forever and ever.

SECOND LESSON AND SERMON TEXT

Revelation 1:4-18

John,

To the seven churches in the province of Asia:

Grace to you and peace from him who is, who was, and who is coming, and from the seven spirits that are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

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To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his own blood ⁶ and made us a kingdom and priests to God his Father—to him be the glory and the power forever. Amen.

⁷ Look, he is coming with clouds,
and every eye will see him,
including those who pierced him.
And all the nations of the earth will mourn because of him.
Yes. Amen.

⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, the one who is, and who was, and who is coming, the Almighty.

⁹ I, John, your brother and companion in the suffering and kingship and patient endurance in Jesus, was on the island called Patmos because of the word of God and the testimony about Jesus. ¹⁰ I was in spirit on the Lord’s Day, and I heard a loud voice behind me, like a trumpet, ¹¹ saying, “Write what you see on a scroll and send it to the seven churches: to Ephesus, Smyrna, Pergamum, Thyatira, Sardis, Philadelphia, and Laodicea.”

¹² I turned to see the voice that was speaking to me. When I turned, I saw seven gold lampstands, ¹³ and among the lampstands was one like a son of man. He was clothed with a robe that reached to his feet, and around his chest he wore a gold sash. ¹⁴ His head and his hair were white, like white wool or like snow. His eyes were like blazing flames. ¹⁵ His feet were like polished bronze being refined in a furnace. His voice was like the roar of many waters. ¹⁶ He held seven stars in his right hand. A sharp two-edged sword was coming out of his mouth. His face was shining as the sun shines in all its brightness.

¹⁷ When I saw him, I fell at his feet like a dead man. He placed his right hand on me and said, “Do not be afraid. I am the First and the Last— ¹⁸ the Living One. I was dead and, see, I am alive forever and ever! I also hold the keys of death and hell.”

SEASONAL SENTENCE

M: Give thanks to the Lord; call on his name; make known among the nations what he was done.

STAND

GOSPEL

John 18:33-37

Jesus reigns in the hearts of believers with the truth of his gospel.

M: The Holy Gospel of St. John, chapter 18.

C: Glory be to you, O Lord!

Pilate went back into the Praetorium and summoned Jesus. He asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?"

³⁴ Jesus answered, "Are you saying this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"

³⁵ Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What have you done?"

³⁶ Jesus replied, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would fight so that I would not be handed over to the Jews. But now my kingdom is not from here."

³⁷ "You are a king then?" Pilate asked.

Jesus answered, "I am, as you say, a king. For this reason I was born, and for this reason I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

M: The Gospel of our Lord.

C: Praise be to you, O Christ!

BE SEATED

APOSTLES' CREED

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

**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.**

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**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.**

BE SEATED

CHILDREN’S SERMON: “Jesus is our King of Kings”

HYMN OF THE DAY: 341 “Crown Him with Many Crowns”



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on his
2 Crown him the Lord of love— Be - hold his hands and
3 Crown him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the
4 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a -



throne; Hark how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns All
side, Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In
grave And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For
bove; Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The



mu - sic but its own. A - wake, my soul, and
beau - ty glo - ri - fied. No an - gel in the
those he came to save. His glo - ries now we
won - drous name of Love. Crown him with man - y

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sing Of him who died for thee, And hail him
sky Can - ful - ly bear that sight, But down - ward
sing Who died and rose on high, Who died e -
crowns As thrones be - fore him fall; Crown him, ye



as thy match-less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.
bends his won-d'ring eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.
ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.
kings, with man - y crowns For he is King of all.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–94, st. 1-2, 4, abr., alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3.
Tune: DIADEMATA (SM D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

SERMON

Text: Revelation 1:4-18

Theme: See Jesus as He Is

STAND

WE PRAISE YOU, O GOD



C: We praise you, O God, we acclaim you as Lord; all creation worships you,



Fa-ther ev - er-last - ing. To you all angels, all the pow'rs of heav'n,



cherubim and seraphim, sing in end-less praise: Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of

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heav'n - ly hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry.

The glorious company of apostles praise you. The noble fellowship of

proph - ets praise you. The white - robed army of martyrs praise you.

Throughout the world the ho - ly Church ac - claims you:

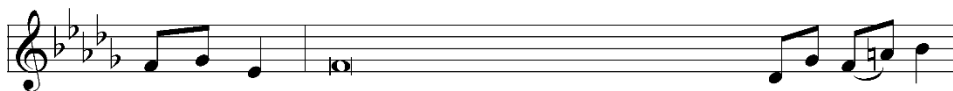
Father of majesty unbounded, your glorious, true, and on - ly Son,

and the Holy Spirit, ad - vo - cate and guide. You, Christ, are the King of

glo - ry, the eternal Son of the Fa - ther. When you became man to

set us free, you humbled yourself to be born of a vir - gin. You overcame the

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sting of death and opened the kingdom of heaven to all be-liev - ers.



You sit at the right hand of God in the glory of the Fa - ther.



We believe that you will come to be our judge.



Come then, Lord, and help your peo - ple, bought with the price of



your own blood, and bring us with your saints to glory ev - er - last - ing.

BE SEATED

OFFERING

Please take a moment to fill in the Friendship Register in the pew.

The members of Trinity make joyful offerings to support this church's ministry. A portion of our offerings is also used for the training of future pastors and teachers, and the worldwide mission work carried out by our fellowship, the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod. Our guests are under no obligation to give, but any gifts freely given are welcome and will be put to work in service to God's kingdom.

STAND

LORD, HAVE MERCY

M: In the morning, O Lord, I call to you; be merciful to me and hear my prayer.

C: Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.

PRAYER

M: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power for ever and ever!

C: Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory.

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise, for you created all things and by your will they were created and have their being.

C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased us for God. From every tribe and language and people and nation, you have called us into your kingdom and have made us priests to serve you, our God and Father.

C: Help us live as royal priests.

M: We give you thanks, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because you have searched for us and found us. Lead us into the green pastures and quiet waters of your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.

C: Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.

M: We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign. Come with your mighty power to break and defeat every evil plan and purpose of the devil, of the ungodly influences and ideas of the world, and of our own sinful nature. Use your power to calm the violence among nations and peoples so that your kingdom may spread and grow.

C: Strengthen our confidence in knowing that your kingdom will never be destroyed.

M: O Christ our King, you have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve you more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of your saving love.

C: Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Special prayers

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M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer

M: Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords.

C: The Lord God almighty reigns! Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.

PRAYER FOR GRACE

M: O Lord, our heavenly Father, almighty and everlasting God, you have brought us safely to this new day. Defend us with your mighty power, and grant that this day we neither fall into sin nor run into any kind of danger, and in all we do, direct us to what is right in your sight, through Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord.

C: Amen.

BLESSING

M: Let us praise the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

M: The grace of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: Amen.

BE SEATED

CLOSING HYMN: 370, "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels
 2 Hail him, ye heirs of Da - vid's line, Whom Da - vid
 3 Sin - ners whose love can ne'er for - get The worm - wood
 4 Let ev - 'ry kin - dred, ev - 'ry tribe On this ter -
 5 Oh, that with yon - der sa - cred throug We at his



pros - trate fall; Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And
 Lord did call, The God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, And
 and the gall, Go, spread your tro - phies at his feet And
 res - trial ball To him all maj - es - ty as - crite And
 feet may fall! We'll join the ev - er - last - ing song And



crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the roy - al
 crown him Lord of all. The God in - car - nate,
 crown him Lord of all. Go, spread your tro - phies
 crown him Lord of all. To him all maj - es -
 crown him Lord of all. We'll join the ev - er -



di - a - dem And crown him Lord of all.
 Man di - vine, And crown him Lord of all.
 at his feet And crown him Lord of all.
 ty as - crite And crown him Lord of all.
 last - ing song And crown him Lord of all.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726-92, st. 1-3, abr., alt.; *A Selection of Hymns*, London, 1787, st. 4-5, alt.
 Tune: CORONATION (86 86 86) Oliver Holden, 1765-1844.

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Sermon Notes Puzzle & Coloring Pages Available for Kids!

Puzzle and coloring pages are available for all kids on the table in the Narthex along with pencils and crayons. Word puzzles, games & space for drawings are all included in these sheets.

Catechism and Bible Class Schedules

There will be no catechesis on Sundays Today, December 17 and 24, or January 1. Bible class will meet between services on every Sunday except December 24 and January 1.

Advent by Candlelight – December 2

Bethlehem Lutheran Church in Manassas is hosting an Advent by Candlelight service on Saturday, December 2 at 6:30 pm. All ladies are invited. Please register by November 25 at www.bethlehem-lutheran.org or scan the QR code below. Questions: Contact Lynnette Hupman at lhupman57@gmail.com



Advent Fellowship Meals

Trinity will host midweek Advent fellowship meals on Wednesdays December 6 and 13. Potluck suppers will start at 6, with a brief devotion following at 6:30. Please bring a dish to pass if you're able; beverages and tableware will be provided.

Wine and Word Bible Study – Thursday, December 7

The Wine and Word Bible Study meets at the home of Bruce and Dawn Knox. Their home is located just 5 minutes from the church in Old Bridge Estates. We meet the 1st and 3rd Thursdays from 7-8:30 pm. We are studying the book of Revelation with Larry Kovaciny as our guide. Those who wish can bring a bottle of wine and a small bite appetizer. Come and join us whether you drink wine or not! Contact Dawn at 703-615-9320 or dawn.f.knox@gmail.com to RSVP.

Christmas for Kids – December 9 – Accepting Wait List Registrations

The next outreach event will be Christmas for Kids, on Saturday, December 9 from 9:30-11:30. There will be gifts, games, snacks, music, a craft, and devotion for up to 30 kids from our neighborhood. Thank you to the adult and teen volunteers who have stepped forward to help supervise!

Children’s Christmas Worship Service – December 17

The Children’s Christmas Worship Service, led by our Sunday School students, will be the 11:00 service on December 17. The 8:30 service that Sunday will be our usual liturgical setting, including a sermon and Communion.

Christmas Eve & Christmas Day Worship Schedule

Because Christmas Eve falls on a Sunday, worship will be held at 5 and 7pm on December 24, with no morning services. Christmas Day worship will be at 10am and will include the celebration of the Lord’s Supper.

Sunday School Project: Collection for HUGS

Through Sunday, December 17, the Sunday School will be holding their next service project, a collection for HUGS of Warm in Woodbridge. Cold weather clothing of all kinds and hygiene items will be gratefully received in a box in the narthex, and then passed on to HUGS of Warm in Woodbridge to distribute to those in need in Northern Virginia.

Small Choir

Trinity’s small choir sings once a month during Worship. Anyone is welcome to join! We'll sing hymns from our hymnal, Christian Worship. If you are interested in joining, please let John or Erika Ohlendorf know.

Ushers and Usher Assistants Needed

A sign-up sheet is sent via email through Sign-up Genius. You are welcome to fill in as many Sundays as you are available. If you would like to become part of the regular rotation of ushers, or even just fill in once in a while when needed, please speak to Worship Elder Matt Popelier. If you are not getting the emails for Sign-Up Genius, please email admin@trinityofwoodbridge.org

Our Little Free Library

Our Little Free Library always welcomes donations of books and food! If the library outside is full, you can place donations in the white plastic bin in the Fellowship Hall right beside the door to the hallway.

Lord’s Supper Available to All Members

If you are a confirmed member of Trinity, Pastor would be happy to commune you at home, or anywhere else you would like to meet. Just contact him at (309) 433-5807 or revpauljenkins@yahoo.com with a date, time, and place, and he will make it work.

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to glorify God

by growing in His Word and by going with His Word

to Woodbridge and to the world.



Trinity Lutheran Church is part of a group of nearly 1,300 churches called the Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran Synod or WELS. The WELS is a world-wide church with congregations serving in all fifty of the United States, as well as in Mexico and Canada. The WELS also serves over 26 foreign countries through world mission work. We are united in faith and teaching with the other churches of the WELS as well as the members of the Confessional Evangelical Lutheran Conference, consisting of 21 confessional Lutheran church bodies throughout the world.