

St. Matthew's Ev. Lutheran Church
1615 N. Wauwatosa Ave., Wauwatosa, WI 53213

November 25th, 2018

Christ the King

8:30 a.m. Service

Prelude

Welcome to Worship

Gathering

(Please stand as you are able)

Opening Christ the King Call to Worship

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Apostolic Greeting

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Second Reading

Revelation 1:4b-8

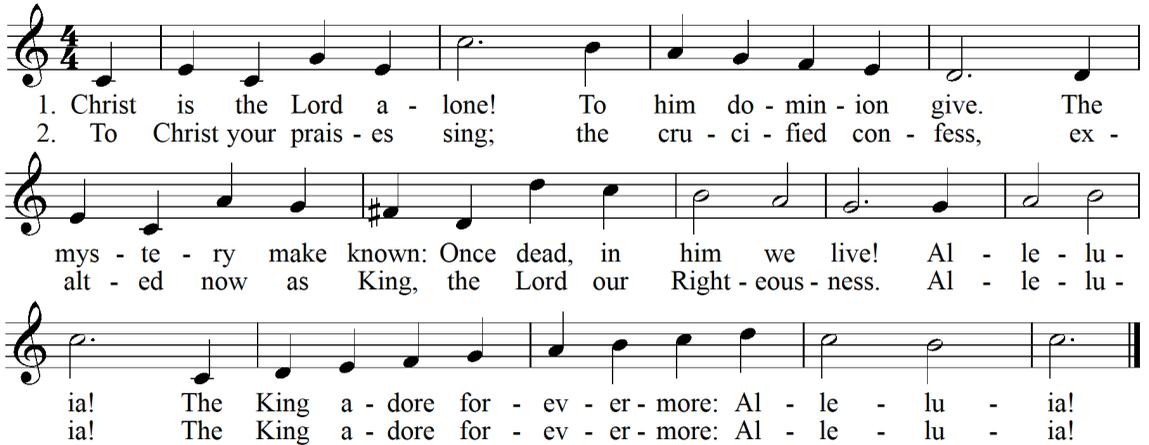
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Gospel Response

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Sermon

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Hymn of the Day

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(Prayer cards will be collected during the Hymn)

Apostles' Creed

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Prayers of Intercession

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Sharing the Peace of Christ

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Meal

(Please be seated)

Musical Offering

(Please stand as you are able)

Canticle of Thanksgiving

Oh, Thankful Hearts and Voices Raise

Oh, thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; To all the world pro-claim God's
 praise: Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia! Re -
 joice, and proud - ly bear God's name; With high thanks - giv - ing spread his
 fame; Tell the sto - ry of his glo - ry. Praise the
 Fa - ther, Son and Spir - it, Al - le - lu - ia!

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Offertory Prayer

- A** Let us pray. God, you have invited us to Jesus' coronation: Christ is King!
- C** **We bring him our homage. We bring him our eternal praise.**
- A** Through the same Jesus Christ our Lord and King.
- C** **Amen.**

Confession & Forgiveness

- P** As servants of Christ the King, let us confess our sins to almighty God.
 Steadfast and saving God,

- C** have mercy on us. In so many ways we cause or suffer brokenness. In your compassion forgive our sins and heal our hurts. Bring forth from us a harvest of righteousness, the fruits of gentleness, peacemaking, wisdom, and justice. This we ask for the sake of Jesus Christ, who gave his life for our redemption. Bestow upon us the power to become faithful servants of Christ, the King.
- P** For his sake God hears your prayer. In him you have life and resurrection from the dead. By him your sins are forgiven.
- C** Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** And also with you.
- P** Lift up your hearts.
- C** We lift them to the Lord.
- P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
- C** It is right to give God thanks and praise.
- P** Glory and dominion be to you, Lord God, for your Word was alive in creation, is present in the power of the Spirit, and will come in glory on the last day. You made with the house of David an everlasting covenant, and your goodness is like the sun on a cloudless morning. You sent Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead and ruler of the kings of the earth. He frees us and mediates the new covenant in his blood, and makes us to be a priesthood of believers who serve you, the Lord of all. And so with all the company of heaven, we rejoice and praise, joining in your unending hymn:

Be - hold how heav'n's high arch - es ring As six-winged
 ser - aphs join to sing: "Lord Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly!"
 Be - hold, the earth gives back the song: "Ho - san - nas
 to our God be - long, Lord Ho - ly! Ho - ly! Ho - ly!"
 With Ho - san - nas Haste to meet him, Glad - ly greet him,
 Prais - es shar - ing He who comes, the Lord's name bear - ing!

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer

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Invitation to Communion

(Please be seated)

Lamb of God

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Communion Hymn

#432 The Head That Once Was Crowned

(Please stand as you are able)

Communion Response

- P** May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's love and grace.
- C** **Amen.**

Prayer after Communion

- A** Let us pray. Pilate's question echoes through time, "So you are a king?"
- C** **It is a question still asked today: "So you are a king?"**
- A** Nourish us at your table; a royal feast to respond to that question whenever it is asked:
- C** **"Christ Jesus is OUR King forevermore." Amen.**

*Sending**(Please be seated)*

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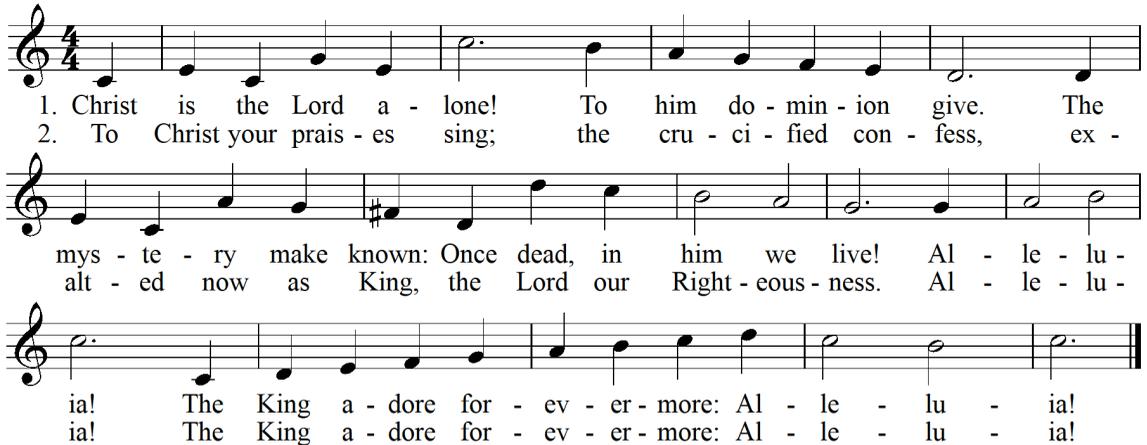
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Thanksgiving

Offering

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name arr. by Dennis Johnson – Senior Choir

Canticle of Thanksgiving

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Thanksgiving for the Word

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The Lord's Prayer

page 221 Contemporary Version)

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.

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