



November 26, 2023, 9:00 am
26th Sunday after Pentecost

worship notes:

Welcome to our church family today as we rejoice in the presence of the risen Jesus Christ.

Today, the music is found both in your bulletin and in the **All Creation Sings (ACS) hymnal**. Children's activity bags are available in the back of the sanctuary.

Hearing devices can be found as you enter the sanctuary. An usher will be happy to help! We pray that you will experience God's redeeming love and grace as you worship with us. Please stay and enjoy coffee and conversation after worship in the Fellowship Hall!

about the readings today:

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.

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GATHERING

PRELUDE

The Prelude, as the first act of worship, is a time for people to become quiet and focus their hearts and minds for what is to follow, inviting worshipers to transition their busy lives into a sacred space of communion with God and neighbor.

“As-salaamu Lakum” (Peace Be With You)

Feel free to join us! You'll find it in the PEACE section of our service

WELCOME + ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, + one God in whose image we are made, who claims us and calls us beloved. **Amen.** *(silence for reflection)*

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.**

OPENING SONGS

“King of Heaven” Pg. 7 + 8

“King of My Heart” Pg. 9

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.**

KYRIE

“Texas Kyrie” Pg. 10

HYMN OF PRAISE

“Glory to God Forever” Pg. 11

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

FIRST READING

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

PSALM

Psalm 95:1-7a

“Come Let Us Worship and Bow Down”
by Dave Doherty, CCLI#27329

Sing Refrain:

Come let us worship and bow down.
Let us kneel before the Lord Our God our Maker. (repeat first two lines)
For He is our God. And we are the people of His pasture;
And the sheep of His hand; Just the sheep of His hand.

Come, let us sing to the LORD; let us shout for joy to the rock of our salvation.
Let us come before God’s presence with thanksgiving and raise a loud shout to the LORD with psalms. For you, LORD, are a great God, and a great ruler above all gods. In your hand are the caverns of the earth; the heights of the hills are also yours. The sea is yours, for you made it, and your hands have molded the dry land. Come, let us worship and bow down, let us kneel before the LORD our maker. For the LORD is our God, and we are the people of God’s pasture and the sheep of God’s hand.

SECOND READING

Ephesians 1:15-23

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

“Jesus, Name Above All Names”
by Naida Hearn
CCLI#21290

Musical score for "Jesus, Name Above All Names" in E-flat major, 6/8 time. The score includes lyrics and musical notation across three systems. Chords are indicated above the notes.

1. Je sus, name a - bove all names, beau - ti - ful Sav - ior,
2. Je sus, lov - ing Shep - herd, Vine of the branch - es,
3. Praise him, Lord a - bove all lords, King a - bove all kings,

glo - ri - ous Lord. Em - man - u - el, God is with us,
Son of God. Prince of Peace, Won - der - ful Coun - se - lor,
God's on - ly Son. The Prince of Peace, who by his Spir - it

bles - ed Re - deem - er, Liv - ing Word. _____
Lord of the u - ni - verse, Light of the world. _____
comes to live in us, Mas - ter and Friend. _____

GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

Before: Glory to you, O Lord After: Praise to you, O Christ

MESSAGE

Pastor David Weeks

HYMN OF THE DAY

“You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd” ACS#954

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

after each petition: Hear us, O God, Your mercy is great.

PEACE REFRAIN

As-Salaamu Lakum
Peace of God Be With You

Richard Bruxvoort Colligan

Am G F Am G F C

As - sa-laa - mu la - kum As - sa-laa - mu la - kum
Peace of God be with you Peace of God be with you

Dm F Am G F Am

Sa - laam, sa-laam As - sa-laa - mu la - kum
Sa - laam, sa-laam Peace of God be with you

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PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always. **And also with you.**

OFFERING

“Living Hope”
by Phil Wickham and Brian Johnson
CCLI#7106807

OFFERING 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.**

LORD’S PRAYER

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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN

“Here Is Our King” Pg. 12 + 13

DISMISSAL

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

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King Of Heaven

Words and Music by
Paul Baloché and Jason Ingram

VERSE 1

♩ = 110 D

1. Je sus, let Your king - dom come here; Let Your will be done

5 Bm7 G2 D

here in us; Je - sus, there is no one great-

11 A Bm7 G2 D

er; You a - lone are Sav - ior; Show the world Your love.

CHORUS

16 D Asus

King of heav - en, come down; King of heav - en, come now;

20 Bm7 G2 D

Let Your glo - ry reign, shin - ing like the day, King of heav - en, come.


24 Asus

King of heav - en, rise up; Who can stand a - gainst us;

28 Bm7 G2 2nd time to Coda D

You are strong to save, in Your might - y name, King of heav - en, come.

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VERSE 2

32 *Fine* D Asus

2. We are chil - dren of Your mer - cy, res - cued for Your glo -

37 Bm7 G2 D Asus

ry; We cry Je - sus, set our hearts to - wards You,

42 Bm7 G2 D

that ev - 'ry eye would see You lift - ed high.

46 D Asus

Coda D.S. al Coda **INSTRUMENTAL**

King of heav - en, come (to chorus)

52 Bm7 G2 D **BRIDGE**

King of

58 Asus Bm7 G2

heav - en, come; King of heav - en, come;

65 D Asus Bm7 G2

King of heav - en, come; Oh, King of heav - en, come.

72 *D.S. al Fine*

King of heav - - en, come (to chorus)

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King Of My Heart

Words and Music by John McMillan and Sarah McMillan

♩=68

VERSE 1

C F C

1. Let the King of my heart be the moun - tain where I run, the foun -

3 Am G F C

- tain I drink from; oh, _ He is my song. _ Let the King of my heart be the shad -

6 F C Am G F C

- ow where I hide, the ran - som for my life; oh, _ He is my song. _ You are

CHORUS

9 Am G F C Am G F C

good, good, oh. You are good, good, oh. You are

13 Am G F C Am G F C

good, good, oh. _____ You are good, good, oh. 2. Let the

VERSE 2

17 C F C Am G

King of my heart be the wind _ in-side my sails, the an - chor in the waves; oh, _ He

20 F C F C

is my song. _ Let the King of my heart be the fire _ in-side my veins, the ech -

23 Am G F C Am G F C

% CHORUS

- o of my days; oh, He is my song. _ You are good, good, oh. You are

TEXAS KYRIE

REFRAIN: (call and response)

Lord have mercy, **Lord have mercy.** Christ have mercy, **Christ have mercy.**

sing together.

1. **We pray for peace from above. We pray for our salvation.** (sing REFRAIN)
2. **We pray for peace in the world, We pray for wellness in your church, We pray for the unity of all.** (sing REFRAIN)
3. **We pray for this holy place. We pray for all who gather here.** (sing REFRAIN)
4. **Oh Lord help us, save us. Oh Lord comfort and defend us. Amen. Amen.**

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Glory To God Forever

Words and Music by
Steve Fee and Vicky Beeching

♩ = 80

VERSE

G/B C2(no3) G D^{sus}

1. Be - fore the world was _ made, be - fore You spoke it to be,
2. Cre - a - tor, God, You _ gave me breath, so I _ could praise

3 G/B C2(no3) G D^{sus}

You were the King of _ kings— yeah, You were, yeah You were!
Your great and match - less _ name all my days, all my days!

5 G/B C2(no3) G D^{sus} G/B C2(no3)

And now, You're reign - ing _ still, en-throned a - bove all _ things; An - gels and saints cry _ out,
So, let my whole life _ be a blaz - ing of - fer - ing— a life that shouts and _ sings

CHORUS

8 G D^{sus} Cmaj⁹ G D^{sus} Em⁷

we join them as we sing: _ Glo - ry to God, _ glo - ry to _ God, _
the great - ness of our King! _

11 Cmaj⁹ G D(add4) Cmaj⁹ G

glo - ry to God _ for - ev - er! _ Glo - ry to God, _

14 D^{sus} Em⁷ Cmaj⁹ G D(add4)

glo - ry to _ God, _ glo - ry to God _ for - ev - er! _ Yeah. _

**Bridge: Take my life, and let it be all for You, and for Your glory;
Take my life and let it be Yours. Take my life, and let it be all for
You, and for Your glory; Take my life and let it be Yours. (back to
chorus)**

Here Is Our King

Words and Music by
David Crowder

♩ = 116

CHORUS

G G/B C2

Here is our King, here is our Love, here is our God who's come to bring

4 G G/B C2

us back to Him. He is the One, He is Je - sus. And He is our

9 G G/B C2 G

King He is our Love, He is our God who's come to bring us back to Him. He is the One,

VERSE 1

14 G/B C2nd time to Coda ♯ G/B C2

He is Je - sus, Je - sus. 1. From wher - ev - er spring ar - rives

19 G/B C2 G/B C2 G/B

to heal the ground, from wher - ev - er search - ing comes, the look it - self,

24 C2 G/B C2 G/B C2

a trace of what we're look - ing for. So be qui - et now and wait.

PRE-CHORUS

29 G/B C2 Dsus C2 Dsus C2

The o - cean is grow - ing.

35 Dsus C2

The tide is com - ing in; Here it is.

(to chorus)

VERSE 2

G/B

C2

G/B

C2

G/B

2. And what was said to the rose to make it un - fold was said to me

45

C2

G/B

C2

G/B

C2

here in my chest. So be qui - et now and rest.

50

G/B

C2

G/B

C2

Dsus

C2

PRE-CHORUS

So be qui - et now and rest. The o - cean

56

Dsus

C2

Dsus

C2

is grow - ing. The tide is com - ing: Here it is. Here is our

(to chorus)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Celebrating November Birthdays

Today we celebrate our November birthdays in the congregation. Please join us for coffee and birthday cake in the fellowship hall after the service

A Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols | Sunday, November 26th + December 3rd

Sunday, November 26, 4:00 p.m., Carleton Chapel, Northfield
Sunday, December 3, 7:00 p.m., First English Lutheran Church, Cannon Falls

I Cantanti Chamber Choirs of Northfield is celebrating its 20th year of presenting a Festival of Nine Lessons and Carols. This year's concerts will be at the Carleton Chapel on Sunday, November 26th at 4:00 p.m., and at First English Lutheran Church in Cannon Falls on Sunday, December 3rd, at 7:00 p.m. This year's concert will feature music by composers John Rutter, John Tavener, William Mathias, and arrangements by Salli Terri and Alice Parker. There are also opportunities for the audience to sing along on familiar carols. A free-will exit offering will be taken. This activity is made possible by the voters of Minnesota through a grant from the Southeastern Minnesota Arts Council thanks to a legislative appropriation from the arts & cultural heritage fund.

Harp Recital + Christmas Tea | Saturday, December 9th

Come and enjoy Christmas music on Saturday, December 9th at 2pm. Harpist Madeleine Douah and pianist/clarinetist Alaia Douah will play a selection of Christmas music. Tea, coffee, and seasonal treats to follow the recital.

Poinsettia Orders

Poinsettias will be used to adorn our altar on Christmas Eve to honor/remember loved ones this Christmastime. Order slips can be found at the welcome desk. If you'd like to order/pay electronically you can submit through the Google form and pay via Vanco, please write 'poinsettia' in the memo line.

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Community Action Center | Operation Joy

Operation Joy, a community-wide gift sharing program of the Community Action Center (CAC), is set to take place on Wednesday, December 6th, 2023. Each year the CAC's goal remains the same: to provide a joyful holiday experience for all children in the community. At this time, the most impact way our community can help support this goal is through monetary donations (for more details please see St. Peter's weekly emails). Additionally, St. Peter's member and children's author, Mary Bleckwehl, is donating a case of her newest picture book, Arrrgh! Me HATE To Wait! A story about an impatient piggy pirate who discovers that good things come to those who wait. If you wish to join in this effort, Mary will donate an additional book on your behalf. Your cost: \$15/book. If interested call or text Mary 507-581-0970 or email her: mary@marybleckwehl.com.

Prayer Ministry

Contact the church office to submit names of people to be included in our Sunday prayers. Please provide an update if situations improve or renew request bi-monthly.

Today we pray especially for:

Bob A. (brother of Joyce), Paula B. (daughter of Judy), Bernice C., Nick D. (son of Mary Kay), Tom D. (brother of Julia), Carl E. (friend of Pete & Susan), Lyle G., Angela H. (friend of Doris W.), Donna H. (friend of Karen), Ron H., Daryl K., Tami L., Christopher L. (son of Sonja), Inez N., Nell P. (sister of Diane & Pete), Scott Q. (relative of Carmen), Jaynie R. (daughter of Jeff & Stephanie), Kathy S. (sister of Sheryl), Roya S. (great niece of Pete and Diane), Karen W. (cousin of Carmen, Char), Mark W. (brother of Claire)

(last names are withheld for on-line privacy.)

*If you would like a visit or phone call from Pastor David,
please contact the Church Office at 645-8252.*

Today's Worship and Fellowship Leaders

Reader: Mike Eaves

Worship band members: Bill Bleckwehl, Megan DeMaris, Claire Hill,
Pete Pedersen, Skip Wagner, Mary Kay Bougie

Ushers: David + Polly Hendee

Hospitality: Mary + Brian Peterson

Live Stream: Dennis Kenison

Would you like to follow along with today's readings?

For today's lesson and
gospel texts,
scan with your smart
phone's camera:



Thank you!

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your offering, set up auto payment through Vanco or bill pay,
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Kids' Corner

Christ the King

- Today is **Christ the King** Sunday.
- Christ the King is a **festival** Sunday at church.
- On Christ the King Sunday, we remember that **Jesus loves and saves us.**

We call Jesus a king because Jesus is our leader. Color the jewels on this crown so a queen or king could wear it.

