

Praying

MINISTRY WORKERS

“The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few. Therefore pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest.” (Luke 10:2 ESV)

PERSECUTED CHRISTIANS

Pray for a pastor and 3 elders from a church in Benin who were abducted.

CARING FOR OUR COMMUNITY

Doctors, Nurses, and Health Care Workers

HEALING

Bryan Fevold, Chris Schaffer, Joyce Hovland, Clay Ceynar, Doyle & Deb Hagen, Wynn Murphy, Richard Helmuth, Jean Elliott, Jessica Wisness Burns, Lori Halverson, Roger Olson, Abby Deibert

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Mission Focus

Pastor and Elders Abducted

On a Sunday in July, Islamists entered a church building in northeastern Benin near the end of the service and abducted its pastor and three elders. Persecution is prevalent in the northern part of Benin, where Christians are beaten and sometimes killed and church buildings are routinely destroyed. A senior Beninese pastor requested prayer for the abducted church leaders and that Christians in Benin will remain bold witnesses to Christ amid persecution.



Beninese churches, especially those located in the north, have been facing increasing pressures by Islamists.

Growing & Serving



TODAY

After the service- Children's Choir Practice
6:00 PM Bedrock Youth Group

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 24

6:30 PM Women's Bible Study at Arianna's house

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 25

9:00 AM Prayer Meeting
10:00 AM Coffee & Conversation

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 26

7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve Service

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 30

9:30 AM Morning Prayer
10:00 AM Worship Service
6:00 PM Bedrock Youth Group



BIRTHDAYS

Nov 25	Demi Jellesen	Nov 28	Luke Pedersen
Dec 3	Harold Dragseth	Dec 6	Jason Marmon
Dec 10	Amelia Odenbach	Dec 14	Larry Nelson
Dec 16	Hans Muri	Dec 17	Jessica Sconce
Dec 22	Angela Smith	Dec 25	Sophia Marmon
Dec 26	Marcia Hovet	Dec 30	TJ Downare



Welcome!

Christ the King Sunday
November 23, 2025

We're glad you're here to worship with us. If you're visiting with us today, we hope you'll stick around for a bit after the service. We'd love to get acquainted with you. If you'd like us to contact you, please scan our QR code on the back of the bulletin, or fill out a visitor card at our Welcome Center.

BIBLE CENTERED Through God's saving Word we have been adopted into God's Family and share in the saving work of Jesus Christ.

FAMILY FOCUSED As brothers and sisters in Jesus Christ, we serve each other and worship, learn and work together.

MISSION DRIVEN We are engaged in Jesus' disciple-making mission - winning souls for Christ by the preaching of the Word and personal witnessing, and strengthening believers through Christian fellowship in the Word and Sacraments.



Order of Worship

Welcome
Call to Worship
Prayers of the Church
Songs of Praise
Old Testament Reading
Epistle Reading
Children's Choir
Tithes and Offerings
Gospel Reading
Sermon
Hymn
Holy Communion
The Nicene Creed
Benediction
Doxology

Psalm 46

Malachi 3:13-18

Colossians 1:13-20

Luke 23:32-43

* If you are able, please stand for elements of the service noted in bold.

Sermon Notes

Next Sunday's Readings: Psalm 122, Isaiah 2:1-5, Romans, 13:8-14, Matthew 21:1-11



HOME TALK

Making Disciples in the Middle of Everyday Life Mt 28:20a

Talking about The Ten Commandments

The Eighth Commandment

You shall not give false testimony against your neighbor (Exodus 20:16).

What does this mean?

This means that we should fear and love God so that we do not misrepresent, betray, lie about, nor slander our neighbor, but defend him, speak well of him, and say the kindest things we can about all he does.

95 Is it wrong for you to speak truthfully about your neighbor's faults?

1. It is wrong when I do so with an unloving heart, either because I wish to hurt my neighbor or because I am thoughtless.

Matthew 12:36 "I tell you, on the day of judgment people will give account for every careless word they speak."

1 Corinthians 13:4-7 "Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things."

2. It is right when I do so because I am concerned about truth and the welfare of my neighbor.

Matthew 18:15 "If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens to you, you have gained your brother."

Galatians 6:1a "Brothers, if anyone is caught in any transgression, you who are spiritual should restore him in a spirit of gentleness."

96 What does God require of you in the Eighth Commandment?

God requires that I should always be truthful and as far as the truth will permit, excuse and speak well of my neighbor.

Scriptures are noted in the English Standard Version



The Lord's Supper

Who may participate?

This sacrament is meant for believers in Jesus Christ (1 Corinthians 11:27-29). It is the way that God unites His church, sustains the church and grows faith, hope and love as the church participates in this shared grace together. Communion is God's way of delivering assurance of the forgiveness of sins to the flock.

What is received?

Christ gives to the communicants His body and blood - in, with, and under the bread and wine. He declares the forgiveness of sin to all believers, and strengthens their faith.

I feel I'm unworthy to receive

Being unworthy of Jesus' body and blood is the primary reason to receive the forgiveness of sins promised in communion. But it is possible to receive communion with an unworthy attitude. Therefore, self-examination is called for (1 Corinthians 11:28, 31).

I do well to ask myself:

1. Do I believe Jesus' promises? "Without faith it is impossible to please God" (Hebrews 11:6).

2. Do I recognize Jesus' presence? "Whoever eats the bread or drinks the cup of the Lord in an unworthy manner will be guilty of sinning against the body and blood of the Lord. Anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself" (1 Cor. 11:27, 29).

3. Am I reconciled with my fellow believers? If we do not value reconciliation with others, we put ourselves in a place where we are distancing ourselves from God's will for us. We are living in rebellion.

4. Do I recognize my sinfulness and that it will be the death of me? (1 John 1:5-10)

5. Is my hope in Jesus alone as the one who can give me eternal life?

We invite those who confess Jesus as their Savior from sin and death to receive the gift of forgiveness of sins offered and gifted in this sacrament.

A Note for Parents

Because communion requires time for self-examination, we do not encourage communion for children until they are old enough to be taught and old enough for self-examination. Through teaching they will appreciate its significance. Catechism Classes provide an opportunity to learn about the Lord's Supper. These classes are taught with the use of Luther's Small Catechism ... If you would like a copy of the Small Catechism for personal instruction or to instruct your children please contact the Pastor or the church office.

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