



Our Saviour
Lutheran Church

Order of Worship
Christ the King Sunday
November 23, 2025



PRELUDE

WELCOME

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

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

Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us. But if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

Most merciful God,

We confess that we are in bondage to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name.

Amen.

Almighty God, in his mercy, has given his Son to die for us and, for his sake, forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the Church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the (+) Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

ENTRANCE HYMN – Christ Is the King! – v. 1-2, 4

Christ Is the King!



1 Christ is the king! O friends, re - joice; broth - ers and
2 Oh, mag - ni - fy the Lord, and raise an - thems of
3 O Chris - tian wom - en, Chris - tian men, all the world
4 Let love's all - rec - on - cil - ing might your scat - tered
5 So shall the church at last be one; so shall God's



sis - ters, with one voice let the world know he is your choice.
joy and ho - ly praise for all his saints of an - cient days.
o - ver, seek a - gain the way his faith - ful fol - lowed then.
com - pa - nies u - nite in ser - vice to the Lord of light.
will on earth be done, new lamps be lit, new tasks be - gun.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia!

GREETING

Pastor: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

People: **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

FIRST READING: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

Here ends the reading. Word of God, word of life.

All: Thanks be to God.

Psalm 150 *(Read responsively by half verse.)*

Praise the Lord! Praise God in his sanctuary;
praise him in his mighty firmament!

Praise him for his mighty deeds;
praise him according to his surpassing greatness!

Praise him with trumpet sound;
praise him with lute and harp!

Praise him with tambourine and dance;
praise him with strings and pipe!

Praise him with clanging cymbals;
praise him with loud clashing cymbals!

Let everything that breathes praise the Lord!
Praise the Lord!

THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

THE GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Pastor: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the first chapter.

All: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

THE GOSPEL READING: Luke 1:68-79

"Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,
for he has looked favorably on his people and redeemed them.
He has raised up a mighty savior for us
in the house of his child David,
as he spoke through the mouth of his holy prophets from of old,
that we would be saved from our enemies and from the hand of
all who hate us.
Thus he has shown the mercy promised to our ancestors
and has remembered his holy covenant,
the oath that he swore to our ancestor Abraham,
to grant us that we, being rescued from the hands of our enemies,
might serve him without fear, in holiness and righteousness
in his presence all our days.
And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High,
for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways,
to give his people knowledge of salvation
by the forgiveness of their sins.
Because of the tender mercy of our God,
the dawn from on high will break upon us,
to shine upon those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death,
to guide our feet into the way of peace."

Pastor: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: **Praise to you, O Christ!**

THE SERMON – SONGS OF FAITH: Praise to the Lord, the Almighty

– *Pastor Frank Waugh*

HYMN OF THE DAY – Praise to the Lord, the Almighty – ELW #858

[Congregation sings verses 1, 2 and 4; Choir sings verse 3]

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty



- 1 Praise to the Lord, the Al - might - y, the King of cre - a - tion!
- 2 Praise to the Lord, who o'er all things is won-drous-ly reign - ing
- 3 Praise to the Lord, who will pros - per your work and de - fend you;
- 4 Praise to the Lord! Oh, let all that is in me a - dore him!



O my soul, praise him, for he is your health and sal - va - tion!
and, as on wings of an ea - gle, up - lift - ing, sus - tain - ing.
sure - ly his good - ness and mer - cy shall dai - ly at - tend you.
All that has life and breath, come now with prais - es be - fore him!



Let all who hear now to his tem - ple draw near,
Have you not seen all that is need - ful has been
Pon - der a - new what the Al - might - y can do
Let the a - men sound from his peo - ple a - gain.



join - ing in glad ad - o - ra - tion!
sent by his gra - cious or - dain - ing?
if with his love he be - friend you.
Glad - ly for - ev - er a - dore him!

THE APOSTLES' CREED

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

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE PRAYERS

Let us pray for the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, and for all people according to their needs.

Pastor: Lord, in your mercy,

All: **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PEACE

Pastor: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: **And also with you.**

OFFERING

OFFERING CANTICLE



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath-er a har-vest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be



fed with the bread of life. Gath-er the hopes and dreams of all; u -



nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble with your



pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. Blessed are you,

O Lord our God, maker of all things. Through your goodness you have blessed us with these gifts. With them we offer ourselves to your service and dedicate our lives to the care and redemption of all that you have made, for the sake of him who gave himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

DIALOGUE

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

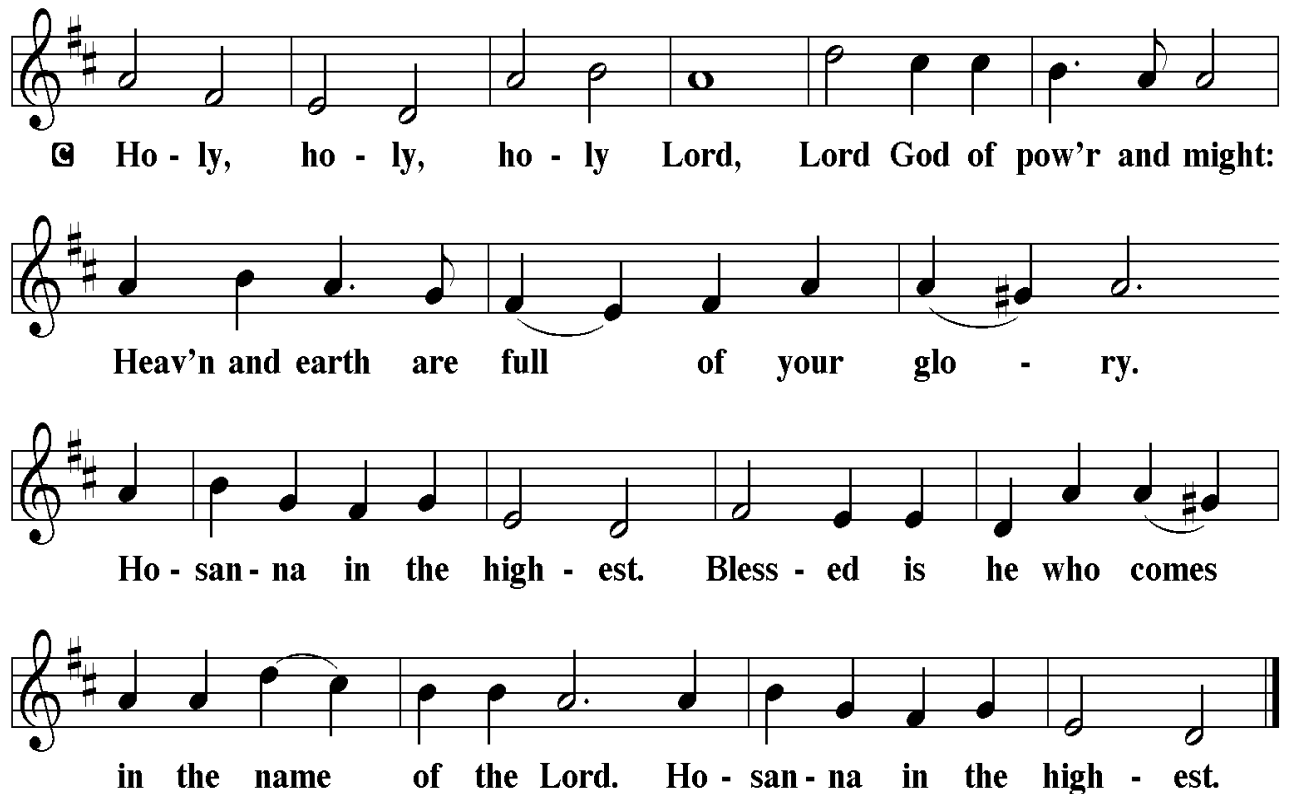
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

THE PREFACE

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who rose beyond the bounds of death and poured out your Spirit of life and power upon the chosen disciples. At this the whole earth exults in boundless joy. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

THE SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.
Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER AND WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE 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.**

HOLY COMMUNION

We believe and teach that the Real Presence of Christ is present in, under and through the bread and wine as means of grace, offering forgiveness of sins and new life to believers in Christ. Baptized followers of Jesus are welcome to partake of the sacrament regardless of denominational affiliation. Small children and unbaptized adults are invited to come forward to receive a blessing. We ask older children and adults seeking the blessing to cross hands to shoulders to indicate a desire for blessing.

COMMUNION HYMN



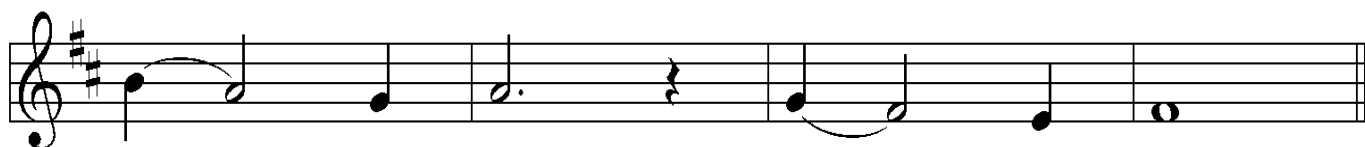
☪ Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us.



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;



grant us peace, grant us peace.

POST-COMMUNION

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. **Amen.**

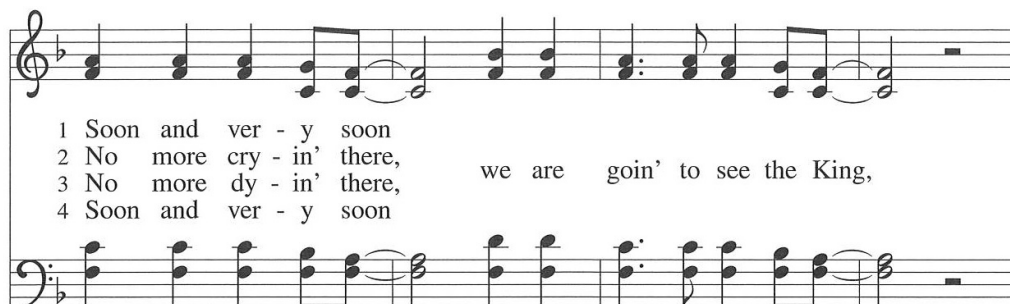
POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

BLESSING

Almighty God, Father, (+) Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you now and forever.
Amen.

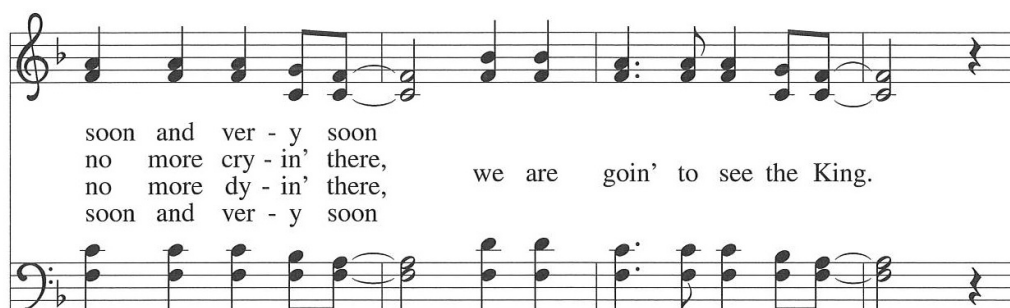
SENDING HYMN – Soon and Very Soon – ELW #439



1 Soon and ver - y soon
2 No more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
3 No more dy - in' there,
4 Soon and ver - y soon



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no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon



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no more cry - in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
no more dy - in' there,
soon and ver - y soon



Hal-le - lu - jah, hal-le - lu - jah, we're goin' to see the King!

Coda after stanza 4

Hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu -

jah, hal - le - lu - jah, hal - le - lu - jah.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

ANNOUNCEMENTS

ALTAR FLOWERS

The flowers for this week are being donated by Ed and Alicia Hill, wishing everyone a blessed Thanksgiving.

GUEST ORGANIST

We welcome Ed Martel, our guest organist for today. Thank you, Ed, for sharing your musical gifts with us!

GROWING FORWARD TOGETHER

Today is Commitment Sunday. Please place your financial commitment card in the designated box as you come forward for communion this morning. There are additional cards at the Welcome Desk, or ask an usher for assistance.

HOLIDAY FOOD DRIVE

OSLC is supporting the Holiday Food Drive of the Sandhills Coalition as it works to serve the food insecure within our area. From boxes of stuffing to cans of cranberry sauce, items to create holiday meals are being collected through December 17. Lists of special items needed are available in the front hallway where food may also be dropped off. Share your holiday spirit with those who need help

ANNUAL CONGREGATIONAL MEETING LAST WEEK

Our Saviour's Annual Congregational Meeting was held in the sanctuary last week immediately following the worship service. The agenda included the election of church council members and the approval of our 2026 spending plan. The spending plan for 2026 was passed unanimously, and congratulations to Greg Hayward, Mark Keller, Karyn Kline, and Libby Carter, who were elected to serve three-year terms on the Congregation Council. During the meeting, a special thank you was extended to Peggy Benson and Patty Peeples for their many years of service as Chairmen of the Growth in Christ and Finance Committees, respectively.

IN THANKSGIVING

A big thank-you to everyone who donated and purchased sweet treats at last week's bake sale. Through your generous donations, we raised \$1,600 for summer youth programs!

HOLIDAY BAKING MADE EASY!

Do your holiday baking with us! Order forms are available for 6 varieties of cookies by the dozen, fudge, and ready-to-bake scones. Place your order by Nov. 30 for Dec. 7 delivery. All proceeds support our OSLC summer youth programs.

FOOTBALL SUNDAY FUN

Today members were encouraged to show support for their favorite team by wearing their jersey, colors, or hat. Post-service snacks will be football-themed. Sponsored by avid Packer and Viking fans!

SAVE THE DATE

Matthew 25 and our very own Preschool will once again provide an evening full of food and entertainment. This yearly fundraiser is on December 14 starting at 5:30pm in Fellowship Hall. Watch for more information and ways to sign up and/or donate.

CONNECTORS YOUNG ADULT GROUP

Connectors, the OSLC gathering for young adults, will meet on December 3 at 6pm at Brixx Pizza. Come have some pizza and connect with others! Please RSVP to Emma Smith by email (eesmithghs@gmail.com) if you are able to make it so we can get a table reserved for the group.

JOIN US FOR RESTORATION - WEDNESDAYS AT NOON

Restoration is an Our Saviour small group that meets Wednesdays at noon at the church. (Restoration will not meet on November 26, but will resume on December 3.)

OUR SAVIOUR PRAYER LIST

Please send your prayer requests to the OSLC prayer team at prayer@oursaviournonline.org or visit the prayer page on our website.

[Note: Prayer requests will stay active for 2 weeks unless renewed.]

This week, we are in prayer for:

Aileen Garland, Tiffaney Flack, Jan Liverman, Ed Carey, Jeff Masar, Scott Carey, John Pfisterer, and Richard Barnes.

MATTHEW 25 SCHEDULE

Drivers

11/25 Bill Mitchell

Panera Pickup

Sunday

11/23 Benson

11/30 Loeser

Friday

11/28 Peeples

SERVICE PARTICIPANTS

Pastor Frank Waugh, Officiating Minister
Ed Martel, Organist

THIS WEEK AT A GLANCE

Monday, November 24

4:30 pm—Matthew 25

Tuesday, November 25

9 am—Matthew 25

Thursday, November 27

Happy Thanksgiving! Church offices closed.

Friday, November 28

Thanksgiving Holiday – Church offices closed.

ATTENDANCE FOR NOVEMBER

Nov. 2: 147

Nov. 9: 122

Nov. 16: 125

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ADVENT BEGINS NOVEMBER 30

Join us for the upcoming "Fear Not!" sermon series, as we celebrate this season of hopeful waiting and preparation for the coming of Jesus.



All Are Welcome!

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