

† Responsive Hymn “I Danced in the Morning” GtG #157

Time of Self-Offering with Offertory

† Doxology *Contemporary*

† Prayer of Dedication

P: God of Creation, we come this morning, bringing our humble gifts, celebrating the reign of Christ, our King – not just in the Kingdom that is to come, but in his reign in our hearts. What could we withhold from him, who is our life, our light, and our redemption? More than our money in these plates, help us to give our whole selves, all for Christ’s ongoing work of compassion and healing. Help us to make our loyalty to his reign known in our giving and also in our living. In the name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

Prayers of the People with The Lord’s Prayer

P: 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation; but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

SENDING THE CHURCH INTO THE WORLD WITH THE WORD

† Closing Hymn “Victory in Jesus” W&C #473

† Benediction

Postlude “Lord, Dismiss Us with Your Blessing” Handbell Choir
(arranged by Michael Eithun and Sandra Eithun)



*The flowers this morning are given to the glory of God
by John Pressler in memory of friend and mentor
Robert A. Larsen, R.N., P.A. Member Redlake Band, Ojibwe Nation, N.A.*

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Service for the Lord’s Day
Christ the King Sunday
November 23, 2025

Hearing devices
are available in
the narthex.

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† Indicates where
we should rise in
body or in spirit.

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L: Leader (One)
P: People (All)

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Hymnals:
Glory to God
(GtG = purple)

Worship &
Celebration
(W&C = red)

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At this time,
please complete
Prayer Request
Cards (yellow
cards found in
the pews). They
will be collected
during the
Responsive
Hymn.

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

- Prelude
- Greeting and Announcements
- Opening Prayer
- † Call to Worship
- L: The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glory now.
- P: **He came to serve and love and die; we owe our lives to him.**
- L: The highest place that heaven affords is now rightly his. So come, let us bring him glory and praise!
- P: **We worship Jesus Christ as King.**
- L: Grace, mercy and peace be to you in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
- P: **Amen!**
- † Opening Hymn GtG #240
“Alleluia, Alleluia! Give Thanks”
- † Prayer of Confession (*Psalm 51:1-4, 7*)
- P: **Have mercy on me, O God, according to your steadfast love; according to your great compassion blot out my transgressions. Wash away all my iniquity and cleanse me from my sin. For I know my transgressions, and my sin is always before me. Against you and you only, have I sinned, and done what is evil in your sight, so that you are proved right when you speak and justified when you judge. Cleanse me with hyssop, and I will be clean; wash me, and I will be whiter than snow. Amen.**
- Silent confession.*
- † Assurance of Forgiveness
- L: Come now – let us settle the matter. Though your sins are like scarlet, they shall be white as snow; though they are red as crimson, they shall be like wool. Know you are forgiven and go in peace!
- P: **In Christ the King, we are forgiven and made whole. Thanks be to God! Amen.**
- Song of Gratitude W&C #105
“He Is Lord” (*refrain only*)

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

- Prayer for Illumination
- P: **Jesus, King of heaven and earth, open our hearts and minds by the power of your Holy Spirit, that, as the Scriptures are read and your Word proclaimed, we may hear with joy what you say to us today. In your name we pray, Amen.**
- Children’s Time
- Scripture Reading Luke 23:33-43 p. 1641
- L: The Gospel of Jesus Christ.
- P: **Christ’s name be praised.**
- Colossians 1:11-20 p. 1832
- L: The Word of the Lord.
- P: **Thanks be to God.**
- Anthem Choir
- Scripture Reading Psalm 11 p. 851
- L: A song of God’s covenant people.
- P: **Amen.**
- Meditation Pastor Brenda
- RESPONDING TO THE WORD
- † Affirmation of Faith
- P: **As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world – which some seek to control, but which others view with despair – we declare with joy and trust: Our world belongs to God!**
- From the beginning, through all the crises of our times, until his kingdom fully comes, God keeps covenant forever. Our world belongs to God!**
- God is King! Let the earth be glad! Christ is Victor; his rule has begun! Hallelujah!**
- The Spirit is at work, renewing the creation. Praise the Lord!**

(from *Our World Belongs to God: A Contemporary Testimony*, Article 1, 2, PsH p. 1019)

Colossians 1:11-20

The passage is a powerful hymn that emphasizes Christ’s preeminence over all things, both in creation and the church.

- He is “before all things” and the creator of everything visible and invisible.
- He is the sustainer of the universe; “in him all things hold together.”
- He is the “head” of the Church, which is his body.

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Prayer for the week:

O Christ Jesus, I acknowledge you as King of the Universe. All that has been created has been made for you. I renew my baptismal promises renouncing all evil. I promise to lead a good Christian life and to do all in my power to see your grace alone as the source of my salvation. Keep me loyal to you forever. Amen.