



# Christ the King Lutheran Church

First Sunday in Lent ~ March 9<sup>th</sup>, 2025

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Welcome & Prelude      *Jesu, dulcis memoria*      D. G. Murray

Hymn of Invocation      427 In the Cross of Christ I Glory

*Galatians: 2:20; 6:14*



1 In the cross of Christ I glo - ry, Tow'r - ing  
2 When the woes of life o'er - take me, Hopes de -  
3 When the sun of bliss is beam - ing Light and  
4 Bane and bless - ing, pain and plea - sure By the



o'er the wrecks of time. All the light of sa - cred  
ceive, and fears an - noy, Nev - er shall the cross for -  
love up - on my way, From the cross the ra - dianc  
cross are sanc - ti - fied; Peace is there that knows no



sto - ry Gath - ers round its head sub - lime.  
sake me; Lo, it glows with peace and joy.  
stream - ing Adds more lus - ter to the day.  
mea - sure, Joys that through all time a - bid.

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# Confession and Absolution

*The sign of the cross ✠ may be made by all in remembrance of their Baptism.*

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

**P** Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

**P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,

**C** **who made heaven and earth.**

**P** I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,

**C** **and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.**

*Kneel/Sit*

*Silence for reflection on God's Word and for self-examination.*

**P** O almighty God, merciful Father,

**C** **I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.**

**P** Upon this your confession, I, by virtue of my office, as a called and ordained servant of the Word, announce the grace of God unto all of you, and in the stead and by the command of my Lord Jesus Christ I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

*Stand*

# Service of the Word

## Kyrie

*Mark 10:47*

**C** Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.  
**C** And with thy spir - it.  
**P** Let us pray.

**C** O Lord God, You led Your ancient people through the wilderness and brought them to the promised land. Guide the people of Your Church that following our Savior we may walk through the wilderness of this world toward the glory of the world to come; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Genesis 3:1–21*

<sup>1</sup>Now the serpent was more crafty than any other beast of the field that the LORD God had made.

He said to the woman, “Did God actually say, ‘You shall not eat of any tree in the garden?’” <sup>2</sup>And the woman said to the serpent, “We may eat of the fruit of the trees in the garden, <sup>3</sup>but God said, ‘You shall not eat of the fruit of the tree that is in the midst of the garden, neither shall you touch it, lest you die.’” <sup>4</sup>But the serpent said to the woman, “You will not surely die. <sup>5</sup>For God knows that when you eat of it your eyes will be opened, and you will be like God, knowing good and evil.” <sup>6</sup>So when the woman saw that the tree was good for food, and that it was a delight to

the eyes, and that the tree was to be desired to make one wise, she took of its fruit and ate, and she also gave some to her husband who was with her, and he ate. <sup>7</sup>Then the eyes of both were opened, and they knew that they were naked. And they sewed fig leaves together and made themselves loincloths.

<sup>8</sup>And they heard the sound of the LORD God walking in the garden in the cool of the day, and the man and his wife hid themselves from the presence of the LORD God among the trees of the garden. <sup>9</sup>But the LORD God called to the man and said to him, "Where are you?" <sup>10</sup>And he said, "I heard the sound of you in the garden, and I was afraid, because I was naked, and I hid myself." <sup>11</sup>He said, "Who told you that you were naked? Have you eaten of the tree of which I commanded you not to eat?" <sup>12</sup>The man said, "The woman whom you gave to be with me, she gave me fruit of the tree, and I ate." <sup>13</sup>Then the LORD God said to the woman, "What is this that you have done?" The woman said, "The serpent deceived me, and I ate."

<sup>14</sup>The LORD God said to the serpent,

"Because you have done this,  
cursed are you above all livestock  
and above all beasts of the field;  
on your belly you shall go,  
and dust you shall eat  
all the days of your life.

<sup>15</sup>I will put enmity between you and the woman,  
and between your offspring and her offspring;  
he shall bruise your head,  
and you shall bruise his heel."

<sup>16</sup>To the woman he said,

"I will surely multiply your pain in childbearing;  
in pain you shall bring forth children.  
Your desire shall be for your husband,  
and he shall rule over you."

<sup>17</sup>And to Adam he said,

"Because you have listened to the voice of your wife  
and have eaten of the tree  
of which I commanded you,  
'You shall not eat of it,'  
cursed is the ground because of you;  
in pain you shall eat of it all the days of your life;  
<sup>18</sup>thorns and thistles it shall bring forth for you;  
and you shall eat the plants of the field.

<sup>19</sup>By the sweat of your face  
you shall eat bread,  
till you return to the ground,  
for out of it you were taken;  
for you are dust,  
and to dust you shall return.”

<sup>20</sup>The man called his wife’s name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. <sup>21</sup>And the LORD God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

**Choral Anthem**

*You are My Hiding Place*

*Ledner*

**Psalm**

*Psalm 32*

<sup>1</sup>Blessèd is the one whose transgression is forgiven,  
whose sin is covered.

<sup>2</sup>Blessèd is the man against whom the LORD counts no iniquity,  
and in whose spirit there is no deceit.

<sup>3</sup>For when I kept silent, my bones wasted away  
through my groaning all day long.

<sup>4</sup>For day and night your hand was heavy upon me;  
my strength was dried up as by the heat of summer.

<sup>5</sup>I acknowledged my sin to you,  
and I did not cover my iniquity;  
I said, “I will confess my transgressions to the LORD,”  
and you forgave the iniquity of my sin.

<sup>6</sup>Therefore let everyone who is godly  
offer prayer to you at a time when you may be found;  
surely in the rush of great waters,  
they shall not reach him.

<sup>7</sup>You are a hiding place for me;  
you preserve me from trouble;  
you surround me with shouts of deliverance.

<sup>8</sup>I will instruct you and teach you in the way you should go;  
I will counsel you with my eye upon you.

<sup>9</sup>Be not like a horse or a mule, without understanding,  
which must be curbed with bit and bridle,  
or it will not stay near you.

**<sup>10</sup>Many are the sorrows of the wicked,  
but steadfast love surrounds the one who trusts in the LORD.  
<sup>11</sup>Be glad in the LORD, and rejoice, O righteous,  
and shout for joy, all you upright in heart!**

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

## Epistle

*Hebrews 4:14–16*

<sup>14</sup>Since then we have a great high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. <sup>15</sup>For we do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. <sup>16</sup>Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need.

**A** This is the Word of the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

## Holy Gospel

*Matthew 4:1–11*

**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the fourth chapter.



**C** Glo - ry be to Thee, O Lord.

<sup>1</sup>Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. <sup>2</sup>And after fasting forty days and forty nights, he was hungry. <sup>3</sup>And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” <sup>4</sup>But he answered, “It is written,

“Man shall not live by bread alone,  
but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.””

<sup>5</sup>Then the devil took him to the holy city and set him on the pinnacle of the temple <sup>6</sup>and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down, for it is written,

“He will command his angels concerning you,”

and

“On their hands they will bear you up,  
lest you strike your foot against a stone.””

<sup>7</sup>Jesus said to him, “Again it is written, ‘You shall not put the Lord your God to the test.’” <sup>8</sup>Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and their glory. <sup>9</sup>And he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” <sup>10</sup>Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written,

“You shall worship the Lord your God  
and him only shall you serve.”

<sup>11</sup>Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and were ministering to him.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



**C** Praise be to Thee, O Christ.

*Sit*

## Conversation with the Children

### Hymn of the Day

### 424 O Christ, You Walked the Road

*Matt. 4:1-11; Heb. 2:18; 4:15*



1 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.  
 2 No bread of earth a-lone Can fill our hun-g'ring hearts.  
 3 No blind-ing sign we ask, No won-der from a-bove.  
 4 When lures of eas-y gain With prom-ise bright-ly shine,  
 5 O Christ, You walked the road Our wan-d'ring feet must go.



You faced with us temp-ta-tion's pow'r And fought our an-cient foe.  
 Lord, help us seek Your liv-ing Word, The food Your grace im-parts.  
 Lord, help us place our trust a-lone In Your un-swer-ving love.  
 Lord, help us seek Your king-dom first; Our wills with Yours a-lign.  
 Stay with us through temp-ta-tion's hour To fight our an-cient foe.

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## Sermon

*Stand*

## **Apostles' Creed**

**☩ I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.**

**And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty.  
From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life ✠ everlasting.**

**Amen.**

## **Prayer of the Church**

*Following the prayers, people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*





# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]*



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.



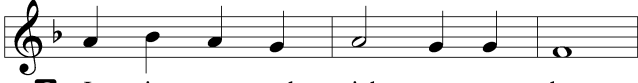
**P** Lift up your hearts.



**C** We lift them up un - to the Lord.



**P** Let us give thanks un - to the Lord, our God.



**C** It is meet and right so to do.

**P** It is truly meet, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who overcame the assaults of the devil and gave His life as a ransom for many that with cleansed hearts we might be prepared joyfully to celebrate the paschal feast in sincerity and truth. Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

## Sanctus

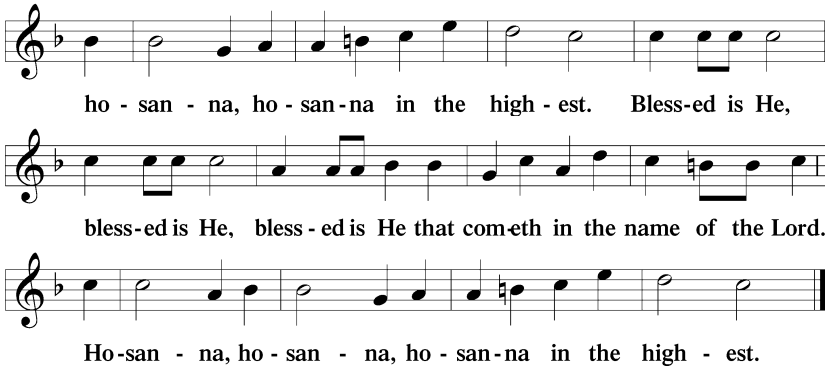
*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth;



heav'n and earth are full of Thy glo - ry. Ho - san - na,



ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is He,  
 bless - ed is He, bless - ed is He that com - eth in the name of the Lord.  
 Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Lord's Prayer

*Matthew 6:9–13*

**C** 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.

## The Words of Our Lord

*Matthew 26:26–28; Mark 14:22–24; Luke 22:19–20;*

*1 Corinthians 11:23–25*

**P** Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night when He was betrayed, took  
 bread, and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to the  
 disciples and said: “Take, eat; this is My  $\text{✠}$  body, which is given for  
 you. This do in remembrance of Me.”

In the same way also He took the cup after supper, and when He  
 had given thanks, He gave it to them, saying: “Drink of it, all of  
 you; this cup is the new testament in My  $\text{✠}$  blood, which is shed for  
 you for the forgiveness of sins. This do, as often as you drink it, in  
 remembrance of Me.”

## Pax Domini

John 20:19



☐ The peace of the Lord be with you al - ways.



☐ A - men.

## Agnus Dei

John 1:29



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, have mer - cy up - on us. O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that



tak - est a-way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us.



O Christ, Thou Lamb of God, that tak - est a-way the sin of the



world, grant us Thy peace. A - men.

*Sit*

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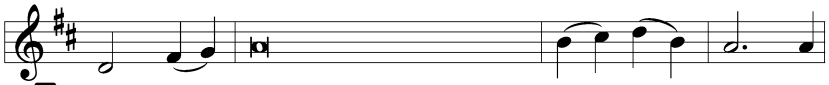
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Stand

## Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32



**C** Lord, now lettest Thou Thy servant de - part in peace ac-



cord - ing to Thy word, for mine eyes have seen Thy salvation,



which Thou hast pre - pared be - fore the face of all people,



a light to light - en the Gen - tiles and the glo - ry of Thy



peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry be to the Father and



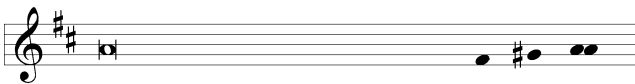
to the Son and to the Ho - ly Ghost; as it was in the beginning,



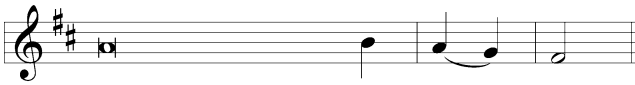
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1



**A** O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good,



**C** and His mercy endureth for - ev - er.

## Post-Communion Collect

**P** Let us pray.

**C** O God the Father, the fountain and source of all goodness, who in loving-kindness sent Your only-begotten Son into the flesh, we thank You that for His sake You have given us pardon and peace in this Sacrament, and we ask You not to forsake Your children but always to rule our hearts and minds by Your Holy Spirit that we may be enabled constantly to serve You; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

## Salutation

*2 Timothy 4:22*



**P** The Lord be with you.



**C** And with thy spir - it.

## Benedicamus

*Psalm 103:1*



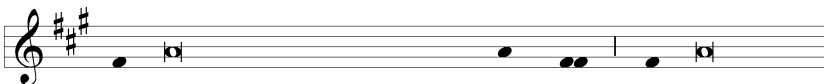
**A** Bless we the Lord.



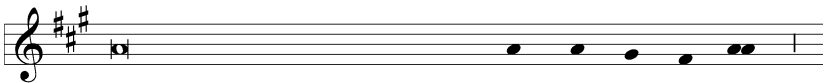
**C** Thanks be to God.

## Benediction

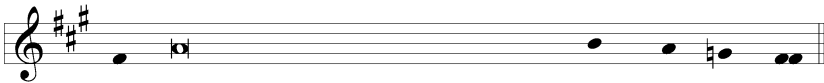
*Numbers 6:24–26*



**P** The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make



His face shine upon you and be gra - cious un - to you.



The Lord lift up His countenance upon you and † give you peace.



**C** A-men, a-men, a - men.

Hymn to Depart

423 Jesus, Refuge of the Weary

Mark 15:29-30; Isaiah 53:4-5,11



1 Je - sus, ref - uge of the wea - ry, Blest Re - deem - er,  
2 Do we pass that cross un - heed - ing, Breath - ing no re -  
3 Je - sus, may our hearts be burn - ing, With more fer - vent



whom we love, Foun - tain in life's des - ert drea - ry, Sav - ior  
pen - tant vow, Though we see You wound - ed, bleed - ing, See Your  
love for You; May our eyes be ev - er turn - ing To be -



from the world a - bove; Of - ten have Your eyes, of - fend - ed,  
thorn - en - cir - cled brow? Yet Your sin - less death has brought us  
hold Your cross a - new Till in glo - ry, part - ed nev - er



Gazed up - on the sin - ner's fall; Yet up - on the  
Life e - ter - nal, peace, and rest; On - ly what Your  
From the bless - ed Sav - ior's side, Grav - en in our



cross ex - tend - ed, You have borne the pain of all.  
grace has taught us Calms the sin - ner's deep dis - tress.  
hearts for - ev - er, Dwell the cross, the Cru - ci - fied.

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Postlude

Schaut, ihr Sünder

J.S. Bach



Deo Gratias

THANKS BE TO GOD



*Almighty God, our Heavenly Father, because of Your tender love toward us sinners You have given Your Son that, believing in Him, we might have everlasting life. Continue to grant us Your Holy Spirit that we may remain steadfast in this faith to the end and finally come to life everlasting; through Jesus Christ our Lord.*

## **Lenten Schedule and Resources**

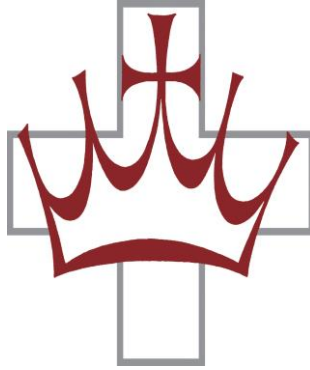
<b>Sunday Divine Services</b>	9:30 am & 4 pm
Adult & youth Bible Study	11 am
<b>Wednesday Lenten Prayer</b>	Midday 2 pm
	Compline 7 pm
Wednesday Soup Supper	6 pm (preceding Compline service)

### **Devotional and schedule**

Please check our website for the full schedule of services for Lent, Holy Week and Easter. Devotional booklets from Lutheran Hour Ministries are available in the narthex, through the church office, or by download: [www.ctklutherannewtown.org](http://www.ctklutherannewtown.org).

### **Welcome Card**

Please fill in the bulletin insert with your name & information and leave in the offering plate on your way out. If desired, we would be happy to follow-up with you; simply indicate this on the card.



*And He has a name written on His robe and on His thigh:  
KING OF KINGS AND LORD OF LORDS.  
Revelation 19:16*

### Today's Volunteers & Worship Staff

March 9, 2025	
<b>Reader:</b>	Roy Weise
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	John Rau, Bud Williams
<b>Acolyte</b>	Gregory Bomba
<b>Chancel:</b>	Kirsten Balancia
<b>Communion Preparation:</b>	Carole Woolery
<b>Coffee Hour Hosts:</b>	Rob & Kirsten Balancia, Kathy Boivie
<b>Organist/Director of Music:</b>	Bev Thompson
<b>Guitar:</b>	Peter Obre
<b>Trumpet:</b>	Gary Gollenberg

### Today's Flowers

*Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God in gratitude for His grace and His many blessings through our Lord Jesus Christ..*

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