



# Christ the King Lutheran Church

*First Sunday in Advent, November 30<sup>th</sup>, 2025*  
*Divine Service Setting 3, p. 184 ~ Pastor Rob Morris*

**Welcome & Prelude**      *Trumpet Tune on Wachet Auf ~ Martha Sobaje*

*Stand*

**Hymn of Invocation**                      **331 The Advent of Our King**

*Luke 19:28–40; Phil. 2:5–11; Eph. 4:22–24; Daniel 7:13–14*



1 The ad-vent of our King    Our prayers must now em-ploy,  
2 The ev-er-last-ing Son    In-car-nate deigns to be,  
3 O Zi-on's daugh-ter, rise    To meet your low-ly King,  
4 As judge, on clouds of light,    He soon will come a-gain



And we must hymns of wel-come sing    In strains of ho-ly joy.  
Him-self a ser-vant's form puts on    To set His ser-vants free.  
Nor let your faith-less heart de-spise    The peace He comes to bring.  
And His true mem-bers all u-nite    With Him in heav'n to reign.

5 Before the dawning day  
Let sin's dark deeds be gone,  
The sinful self be put away,  
The new self now put on.

△ 6 All glory to the Son,  
Who comes to set us free,  
With Father, Spirit, ever one  
Through all eternity.

# 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.

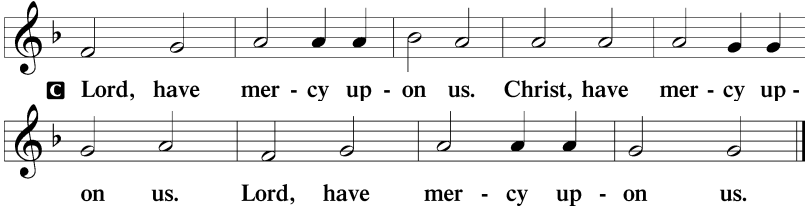
**C** Amen.

*Stand*

# Service of the Word

## Kyrie

Mark 10:47; LSB 186

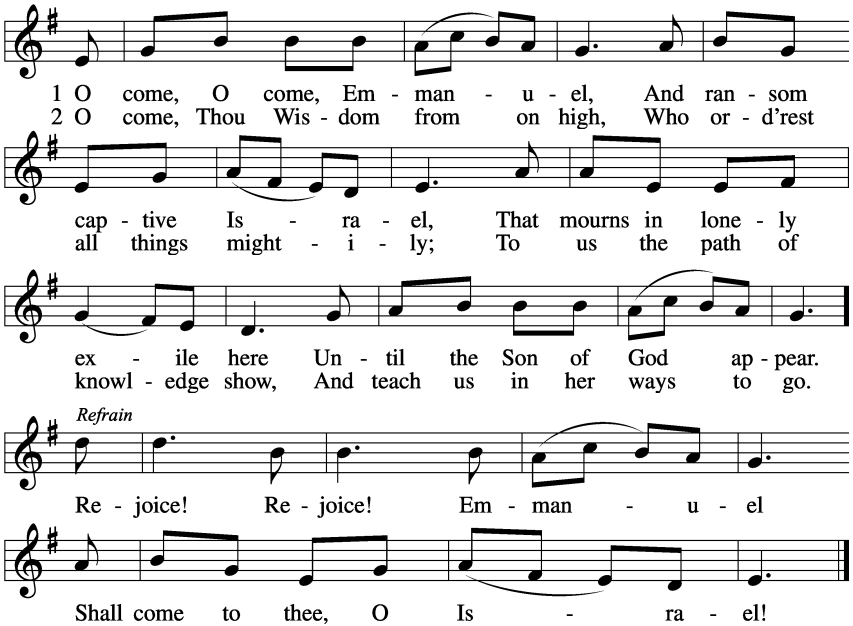


Lord, have mer - cy up - on us. Christ, have mer - cy up -  
on us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

## Advent Hymn and Lighting of the Advent Wreath

### 357 O Come, O Come, Emmanuel

Isaiah 7:10–14; Isaiah 11:1–5, 10–11; Matthew 1:23



1 O come, O come, Em - man - u - el, And ran - som  
2 O come, Thou Wis - dom from on high, Who or - d'rest  
cap - tive Is - ra - el, That mourns in lone - ly  
all things might - i - ly; To us the path of  
ex - ile here Un - til the Son of God ap - pear.  
knowl - edge show, And teach us in her ways to go.  
*Refrain*  
Re - jice! Re - jice! Em - man - u - el  
Shall come to thee, O Is - ra - el!

Text: Latin, c. 12th cent.; Psalterium Cantionum Catholicarum, 1710, Köln; tr. John Mason Neale, 1818-66, alt.  
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## Salutation and Collect of the Day



**P** The Lord be with you.



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

**P** Let us pray.

**C** Stir up Your power, O Lord, and come, that by Your protection we may be rescued from the threatening perils of our sins and saved by Your mighty deliverance; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*Sit*

## Old Testament Reading

*Isaiah 2:1–5*

**A** The Old Testament Reading is from Isaiah, chapter 2:

<sup>1</sup>The word that Isaiah the son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

<sup>2</sup>It shall come to pass in the latter days  
that the mountain of the house of the LORD  
shall be established as the highest of the mountains,  
and shall be lifted up above the hills;  
and all the nations shall flow to it,

<sup>3</sup>and many peoples shall come, and say:  
“Come, let us go up to the mountain of the LORD,  
to the house of the God of Jacob,  
that he may teach us his ways  
and that we may walk in his paths.”

For out of Zion shall go the law,  
and the word of the LORD from Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup>He shall judge between the nations,  
and shall decide disputes for many peoples;  
and they shall beat their swords into plowshares,  
and their spears into pruning hooks;  
nation shall not lift up sword against nation,  
neither shall they learn war anymore.

<sup>5</sup>O house of Jacob,

come, let us walk  
in the light of the LORD.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

## Choral Anthem

*Prepare! ~ Larson*

## Psalm

*Psalm 122*

**A** We say together today's passage from the Psalms:

**1**I was glad when they said to me,  
“Let us go to the house of the LORD!”

**2**Our feet have been standing  
within your gates, O Jerusalem!

**3**Jerusalem—built as a city  
that is bound firmly together,

**4**to which the tribes go up,  
the tribes of the LORD,  
as was decreed for Israel,  
to give thanks to the name of the LORD.

**5**There thrones for judgment were set,  
the thrones of the house of David.

**6**Pray for the peace of Jerusalem!  
“May they be secure who love you!

**7**Peace be within your walls  
and security within your towers!”

**8**For my brothers and companions' sake  
I will say, “Peace be within you!”

**9**For the sake of the house of the LORD our God,  
I will seek your good.

**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

*Romans 13:8–14*

**A** The Epistle is from Romans, chapter 13:

**8**Owe no one anything, except to love each other, for the one who loves another has fulfilled the law. **9**The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery, You shall not murder, You shall not steal, You shall not covet,” and any other commandment, are summed up in this word:

“You shall love your neighbor as yourself.” <sup>10</sup>Love does no wrong to a neighbor; therefore love is the fulfilling of the law.

<sup>11</sup>Besides this you know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed. <sup>12</sup>The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light. <sup>13</sup>Let us walk properly as in the daytime, not in orgies and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and sensuality, not in quarreling and jealousy. <sup>14</sup>But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

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

**C** Thanks be to God.

*Stand*

### Alleluia



**C** Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

*Matthew 24:36-44*

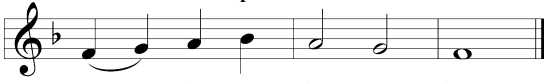
**P** The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fourth chapter.



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

<sup>36</sup>[Jesus said:] “But concerning that day and hour no one knows, not even the angels of heaven, nor the Son, but the Father only. <sup>37</sup>As were the days of Noah, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>38</sup>For as in those days before the flood they were eating and drinking, marrying and giving in marriage, until the day when Noah entered the ark, <sup>39</sup>and they were unaware until the flood came and swept them all away, so will be the coming of the Son of Man. <sup>40</sup>Then two men will be in the field; one will be taken and one left. <sup>41</sup>Two women will be grinding at the mill; one will be taken and one left. <sup>42</sup>Therefore, stay awake, for you do not know on what day your Lord is coming. <sup>43</sup>But know this, that if the master of the house had known in what part of the night the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake and would not have let his house be broken into. <sup>44</sup>Therefore you also must be ready, for the Son of Man is coming at an hour you do not expect.

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



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

*Sit*

## Conversation with the Children

### Hymn of the Day

### 337 The Night Will Soon Be Ending

*Romans 13:12a; Rev. 22:16-17; 1 Cor. 2:7; John 1:4-5; 3:19-21*



1 The night will soon be end - ing; The dawn can -  
2 The One whom an - gels tend - ed Comes near, a  
3 The earth in sure ro - ta - tion Will soon bring  
4 Yet nights will bring their sad - ness And rob our  
5 God dwells with us in dark - ness And makes the



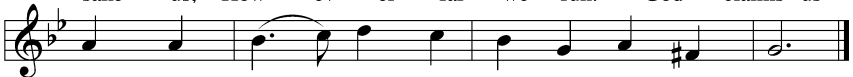
not be far. Let songs of praise as - cend - ing Now  
child, to serve; Thus God, the judge of - fend - ed, Bears  
morn - ing bright, So run where God's sal - va - tion Glows  
hearts of peace, And sin in all its mad - ness A -  
night as day; Yet we re - sist the bright - ness And



greet the Morn - ing Star! All you whom dark - ness  
all our sins de - serve. The guilt - y need not  
in a sta - ble's light. As old as sin's per -  
round us may in - crease. But now one Star is  
turn from God a - way. But grace does not for -



fright - ens With guilt or grief or pain, God's ra - diant  
cow - er, For God has rec - on - ciled Through His re -  
ver - sion Is mer - cy's vast de - sign: God brings a  
beam - ing Whose rays have pierced the night: God comes for  
sake us, How - ev - er far we run. God claims us



Star now bright - ens And bids you sing a - gain.  
demp - tive pow - er All those who trust this child.  
new cre - a - tion—This child its seal and sign.  
our re - deem - ing From sin's op - pres - sive might.  
still as chil - dren Through Mar - y's in - fant Son.

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## Sermon

*Stand*

### Apostles' Creed

**C** 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

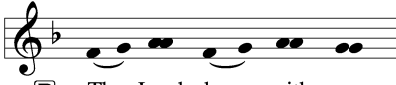
*Following the prayers, people may greet one another in the name of the Lord, saying, "Peace be with you," as a sign of reconciliation and the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace (Matt. 5:22–24; Eph. 4:1–3).*



# Service of the Sacrament

## Preface

*2 Timothy 4:22; [Colossians 3:1]; [Psalm 136]; LSB 194*



**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, whose way John the Baptist prepared, proclaiming Him the promised Messiah, the very Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world, and calling sinners to repentance that they might escape from the wrath to be revealed when He comes again in glory. 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

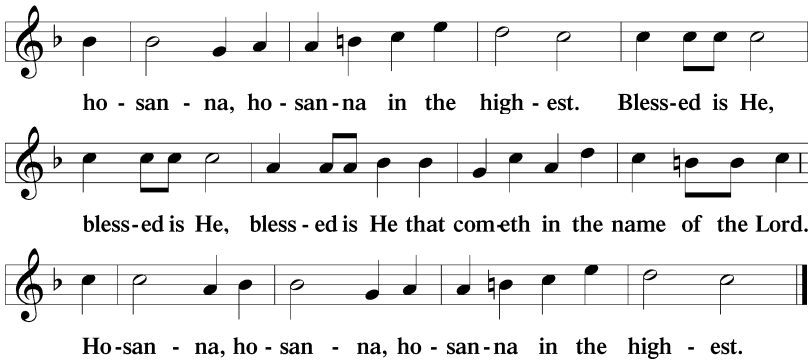
*Isaiah 6:3; Matthew 21:9*



**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*

**P** Lord, remember us in Your kingdom and teach us to pray:

**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

**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



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



**G** 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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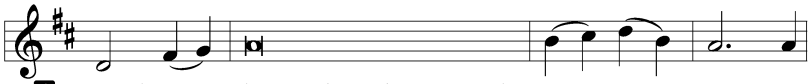
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## Nunc Dimittis

Luke 2:29–32: LSB 199



**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,



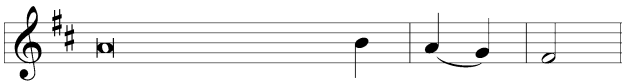
is now, and ev - er shall be, world with - out end. A - men.

## Thanksgiving

Psalm 107:1



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



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

**P** Let us pray.

**C** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and in fervent love toward one another; 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*



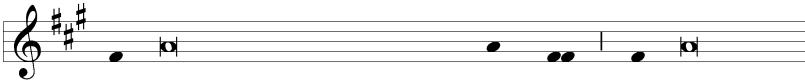
**A** Bless we the Lord.



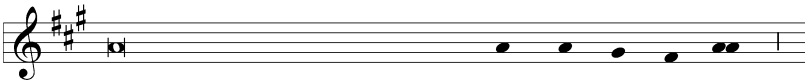
**C** Thanks be to God.

### Benediction

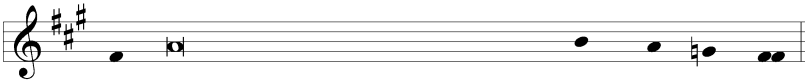
*Numbers 6:24–26*



**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

# 336 Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending

*Revelation 1:7; John 20:24–31; Revelation 7:9–12*



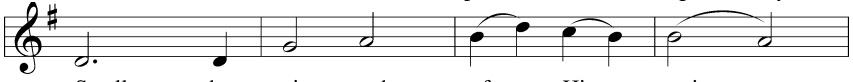
1 Lo! He comes with clouds de - scend - ing,  
 2 Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold Him  
 3 Those dear to - kens of His pas - sion  
 4 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore Thee,



Once for ev - 'ry sin - ner slain;  
 Robed in glo - rious maj - es - ty;  
 Still His daz - zling bod - y bears,  
 High on Thine e - ter - nal throne;



Thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing  
 Those who set at naught and sold Him,  
 Cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion  
 Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,



Swell the tri - umph of His train:  
 Pierced and nailed Him to the tree,  
 To His ran - somed wor - ship - ers.  
 Claim the king - dom as Thine own.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
 Deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly  
 With what rap - ture, with what rap - ture, with what  
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia! Christ the Lord re - turns to reign.  
 wail - ing, Shall their true Mes - si - ah see.  
 rap - ture Gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
 lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and Thou a - lone!

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## Postlude

*Nun Komm, Der Heiden Heiland ~ JS Bach*



*Deo Gratias*

THANKS BE TO GOD



*Blessed Lord, You have caused all Holy Scriptures to be written for our learning. Grant that we may so hear them, read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest them that, by patience and comfort of Your Holy Word, we may embrace, and ever hold fast, the blessed hope of everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

## **Welcome Card**

*A special welcome to today's guests & visitors. We would be happy to follow-up with you if desired, simply indicate this on the attendance insert.*

*Members, filling out the insert helps keep the directory & church records current. Please fill in your name & any information updates. Kindly leave it in the offering plate on your way out. Thank you.*

## **Weekly Newsletter and Prayer Emails**

*Thank you for being a community that prays for one another.*

- *To stay up to date with our weekly newsletter, church announcements, and prayer emails, please provide a current email address.*

*Prayer request email: [ctknewtown@protonmail.com](mailto:ctknewtown@protonmail.com)*

*For urgent needs or pastoral care, please contact the church office.*

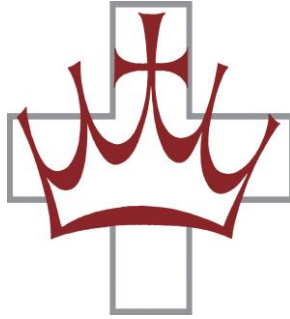
## **An Invitation**

We welcome all to join us for midweek Advent services:

Wednesdays, December 3, 10,17:

- *Midday Prayer @ 1 pm*
- *Vespers Service @ 7 pm\**  
*\*Immediately following Soup Supper @ 6pm*

*To join in special events, see details provided during announcements, through the CTK newsletter/church emails, or online at [www.ctlutherannewtown.org](http://www.ctlutherannewtown.org).*



**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**

November 30 <sup>th</sup> , 2025	
<b>Reader:</b>	Kirsten Balancia
<b>Communion Assistants</b>	Jason Miller, Dave Reitz
<b>Acolyte/Crucifer</b>	Brayden Coffey, Charlotte Lowery
<b>Chancel:</b>	Virginia Erikson
<b>Communion Preparation:</b>	Sandy Wallace
<b>Coffee Hour Hosts:</b>	Liz Lopez, Kirsten Balancia
<b>Organist/Director of Music:</b>	Bev Thompson
<b>Guitar:</b>	Peter Obre

### **Today's Flowers**

*Today's altar flowers are given to the glory of God, with praise to our Lord, by Bob and Cindy Harrison in celebration of the baptism anniversary of their granddaughter Rachel Lou Gomez.*

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