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Christ the King Sunday

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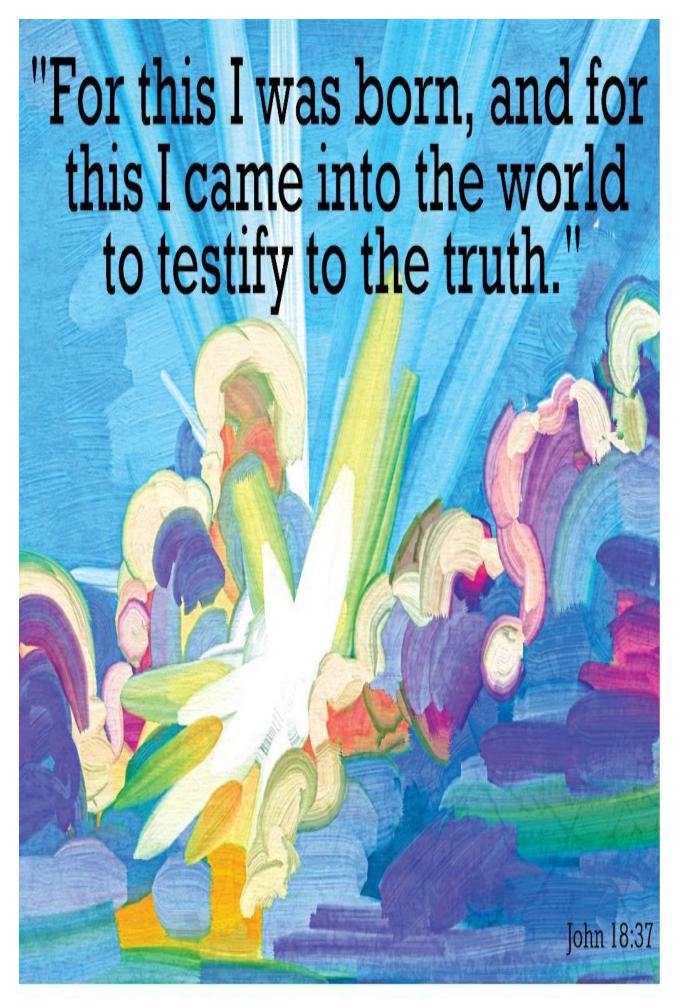
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CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION

9:00 A.M. ~ Sunday, November 21, 2021



THE LORD JESUS CHRIST WELCOMES ALL!

We pray, as we enter the presence of the Lord, He would send His Spirit to help us offer our prayer, praise and thanksgiving in our service of worship. If you are worshipping in person and unvaccinated, thanks for keeping your mask on over your nose and mouth all the time you are in the building. You help protect us all.

GATHERING

WE PREPARE: Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, they still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

RINGING OF THE BELL/ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Blessed be the holy Trinity, Father, Son + and the Holy Spirit, one God, who forgives all our sin, whose mercy endures forever. **Amen.**

God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

Most merciful God,

we confess that we are captive 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.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God 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.**



GREETING

Beloved, remembered by God and remembering both the call and the promises of God: the everlasting love of the Father, the gift of the Son, and the strength of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray ...

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**



WORD

FIRST READING Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

The first reading is in Daniel chapter 7, verses 9-10 and 13-14.

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire. A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven, and he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**.

SECOND READING Revelation 1:4b-8

The second reading is in Revelation chapter 1, verses 4b-8.

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

We Will Glorify



We will glorify the King of Kings, we will glorify the Lamb; We will glorify the Lord of lords, Who is the great I Am.

Hallelujah to the King of kings, hallelujah to the Lamb; Hallelujah to the Lord of lords, Who is the great I Am. GOSPEL John 18:33-37

The Holy Gospel according to St. John the 18th chapter. Glory to you, O Lord."

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, O Christ.

SERMON

Pastor Tim Mason

SONG OF THE DAY

Lord, Whose Love in Humble Service



- 1 Lord, whose love in hum-ble ser vice bore the weight of hu-man need,
- 2 Still your chil-dren wan-der home-less; still the hun-gry cry for bread;
- 3 As we wor-ship, grant us vi sion, till your love's re veal-ing light
- 4 Called by wor ship to your ser vice, forth in your dear name we go,



who up - on the cross, for - sak - en, worked your mer-cy's per - fect deed: still the cap - tives long for free - dom; still in grief we mourn our dead. in its height and depth and great-ness dawns up - on our quick-ened sight, to the child, the youth, the a - ged, love in liv - ing deeds to show;



we, your ser-vants, bring the wor-ship not of voice a - lone, but heart; As you, Lord, in deep com-pas-sion healed the sick and freed the soul, mak-ing known the needs and bur-dens your com-pas-sion bids us bear, hope and health, good-will and com-fort, coun-sel, aid, and peace we give,



con - se - crat - ing to your pur - pose ev - 'ry gift which you im - part. by your Spir - it send your pow - er to our world to make it whole. stir - ring us to ar - dent ser - vice, your a - bun - dant life to share. that your ser - vants, Lord, in free - dom may your mer - cy know and live.

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

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

MEAL

OFFERING

Sing to the Lord of Harvest (THE USHERS BRING UP THE OFFERING) **Trinity Choir**

OFFERING PRAYER

Be known to us, O Lord, in the breaking of the bread, as you were made known to the disciples. Receive these gifts, and the offering of our lives, that we may be your risen body in the world.

Amen.

THE WORDS OF INSTITUION

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. Amen. Holy Communion

DISTRIBUTION

Come, eat, drink, and live the life God has for you.

COMMUNION BLESSING The Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace. Amen.

PRAYER OF THANKS

Life-giving God, in the mystery of Christ's death and resurrection you send light to conquer darkness, water to give new life, and the bread of heaven to nourish your people. Send us forth as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection that we may show your glory to all the world; through the same Jesus Christ, our risen Lord. Amen.

SENDING

BLESSING

The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**



DISMISSAL

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

POSTLUDE

Our thanks to all who serve the Body of Christ

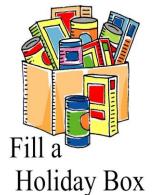
SUNDAY	9:00 am Worship
Accompanist	Mary Mulry
Reader	Donna Augustin
Sound Tech	Russ Sorensen
Communion Assistants	Larry Baumgardt, Neil Neidt, Donna Augustin
Greeters	Kate Nelson & Sue Pedersen
Ushers	Lee Johnson & Doug Domeier
Altar Guild	Mary Hillmer & Sara Sellner



Thank you for supporting our Youth and Women's Pie projects! Greenery orders will be available for pick-up following worship in the parking lot near the garage. Pie pick-up is downstairs following our Worship Service. Additional pies are available. Thank you all!

The Sunday School Program will be December 12th at 9:00 am Worship. Practice for the program has started and will conclude on December 5th with rehearsal in the sanctuary. Words and actions will be sent home with the children to help them be more comfortable with the songs. We strongly encourage your children to be at Sunday School the next month to help them become familiar with the program. Thank you for all your support!





HOLIDAY FOOD BOX TIME

It is time to start thinking about filling a Holiday Box for the families of our weekend food kids as there continues to be those in our community who are struggling to provide basic needs for their families. We are going to ask you to once again shop for a family and put items on the list in a box provided for you and return to Trinity. You can join with another family or group to fill one or more boxes. The risk for hunger insecurity has not gone away and we at Trinity are currently feeding 38 children on weekends from 28 families. We are asking you to fill a box to be used by our weekend food families during the Christmas break when they do not have meals provided by the school.

Here's what to do:

- 1. Sign out a food box in the narthex beginning today.
 - Put your name and phone number next to the number matching the number on your box.
- 2.Fill the box with the items from the attached list.
- 3.Return your box to the table in the narthex by December 8.
- 4. Have fun filling the box. Thank you for being the hands of Jesus!

Social Ministries Board

Michal Lowther, Amanda Fuchs, Shari Baumgardt, Sandy Beito, Jim Johnson and Pat Starkey

Thankoffering 1

SPECIAL OFFERINGS –During the month of November, we think of our abundance and willingness to share with others less fortunate. For this reason, the Board of Stewardship designates the Thanksgiving Eve offering to ELCA World Hunger. Gifts are accepted for this initiative to the end of the year.

The second special offering that is usually emphasized in November is the Women of the ELCA Thankoffering. These funds are all sent into the churchwide office to support the ministries of the Women of the ELCA. Blue envelopes will be placed in narthex mailboxes—however, you may also use your regular offering envelopes by designating "Thankoffering" on the special giving line... Thank you for any and all gifts!

Thanksgiving Eve





OUR PIE FELLOWSHIP WILL FOLLOW
THE THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE.
PLEASE CONSIDER BRINGING A PIE
TO SHARE. THANK YOU!



IF YOU'D LIKE TO PURCHASE A POINSETTIA for \$12.00 in honor of or in memory of a loved one(s), please sign up in the church office by Dec. 12th. You have the option of ordering a red or red speckled poinsettia. Please specify when you sign up. You are welcome to take your plant following the late Christmas Eve services on Monday, December 24th.

IT'S TIME TO THINK ABOUT THAT DOUBLE BATCH or two of your favorite Christmas cookies to donate to the cookie walk. Our sale is in the library on Sunday morning, December 12th, following the Christmas Program. Please deliver your cookies, krum cake, rosettes, or other special treats to the church kitchen Friday or Saturday, **December 11th by 1:00 pm** if possible.



LEFSE MAKERS ARE NEEDED Tuesday, December 7th between 4:00 and 8:00 pm. Please sign up in the office. Come when you can! Please spread the word to your family and friends about this great bake sale. Our goodies will be available Sunday morning, December 12th. Contact Darlene Brummund with any questions at 276-8013. All proceeds go to people in need with supplemental funds by Thrivent. Thanks so much for your encouragement and participation!

ADVENT CALENDARS are available to each family at the tables in the entrances. The Social Ministries Board hopes you will pick one up as we celebrate with anticipation the season of Advent.



Springfield Community Theatre & Springfield Public School Community Education

PRESENT



Music by Andrew Lloyd Webber | Lyrics by Tim Rice

Friday, November 19, 7 PM Saturday, November 20, 2 PM & 7 PM Sunday, November 21, 2 PM

For potential date/time changes due to conflicts with high school state tournament schedule, please check with local media and our Facebook page: Springfield Community Theatre (SCT)

Springfield Public School Performing Arts Auditorium The performances are General Admission Seating. On sale beginning November 8 at Springfield Advance-Press 507-723-4225

> Adults: \$12 in Advance \$15 at the door Students: \$8

JOSEPH AND THE AMAZING TECHNICOLOR DREAMCOAT is presented by arrangement with Concord Theatricals on behalf of The Really Useful Group, www.concordtheatricals.com



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Jesus is the King of kings.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS

These readings are related to the Lectionary readings for this Sunday. We invite you to take time each day to read the assigned Bible passages. Sunday John 18:33-37 Jesus, the King of truth Monday Mark 15:1-15 Pilate questions Jesus Tuesday Mark 15:16-32 Jesus, the King of the Jews Wednesday John 14:1-6 Jesus is the truth Thursday John 8:31-47 The truth will set you free Friday 2 John 1:1-9 Walking in the truth

Saturday Psalm 47 Sing praises to our King

Sunday Luke 21:25-36 The coming of the Son of Man

SCRIPTURE VERSE FOR THIS WEEK



He has made us members of his royal family. He has made us priests who serve his God and Father. Give him glory and power for ever and ever!

Revelation 1:6

SAY, PRAY AND BLESS:

A Prayer for the Week:

Lord Jesus, you are the King of truth. Help us to listen to you. Amen. (John 19:37)

Mealtime Prayer:

Blessed be to God, our King, for health and food, for love and friends, for everything his goodness sends. Amen.

A Blessing to Give:

May Jesus, your King, bless you with his love. May he help you to know his forgiveness and give you power to serve him. Amen

CARING CONVERSATION

Discuss in your household or small group:

- What would you do if you were a king or queen for a day?
- Jesus is a King. What sort of King is this poor and humble man? Where and how does he reign?
- What does it mean to you that Jesus is your King? In what ways do you serve and acknowledge him as King?

DEVOTIONS

November 22 is the last Sunday of the 2014-15 church year. In your household devotion time this week, talk together about your experience of church life over the past year. What were some highlights? What were some challenges, disappointments or difficulties? In what ways did you learn or grow? Pray together for God's blessing upon your church and your involvement with it over the next year..

SERVICE

As this church year ends, plan to say thank you to those in your congregation who have served you over the past year – pastors, Sunday School teachers, youth leaders and so on. Give them a small gift, note or card in appreciation for their contributions.

RITUALS AND TRADITIONS

Advent begins next Sunday. Begin to plan for your home observance of Advent. One great household Advent tradition is the *Advent wreath*. Set up four purple or blue candles with a white candle in the center. One candle is lit during the first week of Advent, another during the second week and so on. On Christmas Day, the white candle is lit in celebration of the birth of Christ.

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Please take your bulletin home for weekly devotion



Trinity's Mission Statement

We are a community where Jesus is Lord: our mission is to invite, welcome, nurture, and equip all people to be disciples in His name.

TRINITY'S PRAYER CHAIN Send an email to secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org or call the office at 507 794-5051. Leave a message.
TRINITY'S WEBPAGE Send an email to the church office at secretary@trinitysleepyeye.org and let Darlene know you want your newsletter via email!

TRINITY IS NOW ON FACEBOOK CHECK IT OUT!!

"Trinity Lutheran (ELCA) Sleepy Eye MN"

The Trinity Tidings newsletter is now also posted on www.sleepyeyeonline.com watch this site for community news and events.



If you haven't already, please consider *Simply Giving*, an automated giving program for your offering. You determine the frequency of your offering which is deposited into Trinity's account the same day it is withdrawn from your account. It's a "hassle-free" way to give.

Talk to Pat or Darlene if you are interested. Thank You. Please pick up your statements and envelopes in your mailbox. Thank You!

Last week at Trinity

Weekly Giving: \$5973.29
November Giving \$10,785.74
Yearly Contributions to Date \$211,856.17
We are \$61,548.00 below budget.
Your help is needed.

This Week's Prayer Concerns

<u>Pray for the Church</u>...that the Holy Spirit would empower us to live in the image of God so that we would speak and act in every way bringing glory to God before all the nations and peoples with what we have been given...

<u>Pray for our World</u>...that pain of this Covid-19 pandemic, which has penetrated so many lives that your light Lord would help us to see your presence and that the Spirit would lead us to seek the truth and practice grace for all who are hurting...

Pray for all who are ill, afflicted, or recovering...that the Holy Spirit would give comfort and daily strength to Beth, Joan, Lois, Joyce, Abby, Emma, Ed, Story, Tina, Tammy, Robyn, Beth, Carmen, Julia Ann, Nathan, Linette, Tammy, John, Sandy, Tony, Ted, Connor, Sue, Ed, Kimora, and Mary Jo.

<u>Pray for the beloved...</u> who now rest from their labors in God's mercy and for all who mourn the personal loss of loved ones.... that God would fill each one with the hope of our Lord's promise to bring us to a new heaven and earth where suffering, crying, pain and death will be no more....

<u>Pray for all families</u>...that the Holy Spirit would bring compassion and mercy to all who are separated from one another and each would give way to mercy, love and reconciliation...

<u>Pray for those preparing for marriage and those newly married</u>...that God would be glorified in their union, filling every couple with the light and truth of God's grace and power throughout their lives ...

<u>Pray for the men and women serving in the Armed Forces</u> <u>and those far from home...</u> for **Brady Augustin** and his wife (Donna Augustin's son stationed in Italy)...and for all of our military Veterans that the Holy Spirit would guard them in safety and keep their hearts stayed in Christ...

<u>Pray for the missionaries of our church (ELCA)...</u>that they proclaim their witness of the Gospel throughout the world.

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