



# FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Christ the King Lutheran Church**

Great Falls, Virginia

April 21, 2024

8:30 a.m.

*Our vision is to be a vibrant community of Jesus' disciples,  
empowered by the Holy Spirit to bring God's grace into our world.*

*ELW* refers to Evangelical Lutheran Worship, the red hymnal in the pew. *ACS* refers to All Creation Sings. *GS2* refers to Global Songs 2. *HFW* refers to Hymns for Worship compiled by Augsburg Fortress.

A: indicates Assisting Minister; P: indicates Presiding Minister; R: indicates Reader;  
**C: indicates Congregation.**

At places where the ✝ appears, it is customary to make the sign of the cross in remembrance of your baptism. The Congregation responds with the words in **bold type**.

Should you need to use an enlarged print order of service, complete with Bible readings and hymns, you will find several in red binders located on the usher's table at the back of the sanctuary.

### **A few notes about worship:**

- **We are glad to have children in worship.** We also know that children sometimes need to move and express themselves in ways that the service (and the pews) don't accommodate. There is a family break room available with toys, a rocking chair, changing table, and other items. It is staffed only during the worship service, but you are free to use it as needed. To find the family break room, turn left in the foyer and go past the doors leading to the parking lot. It's the first door on the left down the hall.
- Christ the King strives to be a welcoming and safe place for all. Masks are optional; the pastor will wear a mask when moving among the congregation and when distributing communion.
- The worship service is streamed live on Facebook. The camera angles are set so that worshipers' faces are never seen on camera (the camera may occasionally pick up the back of the heads of those sitting in the front rows); only those leading worship from the chancel, lectern, piano, and organ are ever shown fully or face-on.

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## CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Hours: Mon – Wed, 10:00 – 3:00

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King's Kids Preschool: 703-759-6935  
Website: [gflutheran.org](http://gflutheran.org)

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christ the King Lutheran Church

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## Thank You for College Care Package Contributions \_\_\_\_\_

Thanks so much to everyone who generously contributed treats for the college boxes. The boxes were filled to the brim and will surely bring smiles to the faces of those college students as they prep for finals. Also, thanks to the amazing volunteers who always show up to help pack boxes. Additionally, thanks to Don and Martina Goss who have graciously signed on to lead the College Care Ministry going forward!

## Capital Campaign for Mar-Lu-Ridge \_\_\_\_\_

On Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>, Sarah Lefler, Executive Director of Mar-Lu-Ridge Camp & Retreat Center, will come to CtK to share news of their *With Open Arms* capital campaign. The goal of *With Open Arms* is to make the Mar-Lu-Ridge facilities fully accessible. Mar-Lu Ridge is a place of welcome where every camper, guest, volunteer, and staff member can find acceptance and inclusion. As they serve their camp community and retreat guests, they want to offer fully accessible spaces so that everyone can participate with ease. This campaign is endorsed by our Bishop and Synod Council.

## Great Falls Philharmonic Children's Concert, May 5 \_\_\_\_\_

The concert is only 2 weeks away! GF Philharmonic will present a children's concert on Sunday, May 5 at 4:00 p.m. at CtK. The music will feature Peter and the Wolf followed by a Disney sing-along! Come early at 3:30 p.m. to meet the instruments of the orchestra. Tickets are \$20 and will be available for purchase after service in the lobby, or anytime on Eventbrite at [https://bit.ly/GFP\\_Peter-and-the-Wolf](https://bit.ly/GFP_Peter-and-the-Wolf). Contact Marian Zimmerman at [marian.zimmerman@gmail.com](mailto:marian.zimmerman@gmail.com) or 703-350-1034 for more information.

## New Member Recognition & Reception, May 19 \_\_\_\_\_

### An Invitation to a Deeper Connection with the CtK Community

The Christ the King community welcomes all people to receive blessings from God through worship, learning, fellowship, and service. And as a community we give thanks that you have found a place here! If you are a regular friend or guest of Christ the King and would like to know more about membership at Christ the King—and the possibility of taking on responsibility or leadership—please speak with Pastor Langknecht. We will recognize and receive new members in worship on May 19<sup>th</sup>.

## Today's Altar Flowers \_\_\_\_\_

The altar flowers are given to the glory of God by Rich and Melinda McGowan in honor of the baptism of their grandson, William Richard McCarthy.

**Welcome!**



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Christ the King Lutheran Church is a congregation of the Metro DC Synod of the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America.

### MEMBERSHIP

If you would like to know more about Christ the King or are interested in living out your discipleship as a member of this community, please contact the church office at (703)759-6068.

If you would like to be on our email list to receive our weekly newsletter, please contact the church office at (703)759-6068 or visit our website: [gflutheran.org](http://gflutheran.org).

### CALENDAR



**Vacation Bible School at CTK: More Volunteers Needed** \_\_\_\_\_  
**August 5-9, 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.**

At least 10 adults plus youth (rising 6<sup>th</sup> grade - college) are required to lead or assist a "crew" of children (potty-trained PreK – grade 5) or run a nature activity or games. Volunteers' little ones will enjoy the nursery.

Please email Heidi Toloczko at [heidi.toloczko@gflutheran.org](mailto:heidi.toloczko@gflutheran.org) to learn more. To volunteer go to [https://bit.ly/CtK\\_2024\\_VBS](https://bit.ly/CtK_2024_VBS) or via the QR code:



**King's Kids Preschool 2024-25 Registration & Tours** \_\_\_\_\_

Registration is first come, first served. We offer low teacher/child ratios and specials such as Music, Spanish, P.E., Library, and Chapel. We have a toddler class for 1 ½ - 2 ½ year-olds as well as classes for 2 ½ to 5-year-olds.

For a personal tour, email [kkp@gflutheran.org](mailto:kkp@gflutheran.org)

For more information, visit [kkpgf.org](http://kkpgf.org)

**Prayers for the Congregation** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dick Wardian** asks for prayers of healing for **Vivienne Wardian** as she recovers from a successful surgery. **Tommy Aly** requests prayers for healing for his grandfather, Kadry Ali. **Karen Magley** and **Melody Mobley** ask for prayers for strength and healing.

**Spring Signup Genius for Worship**

Please go to  
[https://bit.ly/Spring\\_2024\\_Help](https://bit.ly/Spring_2024_Help)  
 for the spring signup genius.

This Morning's Lay Helpers	
8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Asst Minister-Open	Asst Minister-Open
Lector -Open	Lector -Open
Greeters/Ushers-Open	Greeters/Ushers-Open
Snacks/Beverages-Open	Snacks/Beverages-Open
Nursery Help (9:40)-Open	Nursery Help (10:45)-Open
Next Sunday's Lay Helpers	
8:30 a.m.	11:00 a.m.
Asst Minister-Joni Holeman	Asst Minister-Open
Lector -Open	Lector -Open
Greeters/Ushers-Open	Greeters/Ushers-Open
Snacks/Beverages-Open	Snacks/Beverages-Open
Nursery Help (9:40)-Open	Nursery Help (10:45)-Open

**AT CTK THIS WEEK**  
**April 21-April 28**

**Sunday, April 21**

8:30 a.m. – In-person Worship  
*(streaming available)*

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School

9:45 a.m. – Adult Forum, In-person & Zoom

11:00 a.m. – Outdoor Worship- Earth Day

7:00 p.m. – AA

**Monday, April 22**

2:30 p.m. – Staff Meeting

**Tuesday, April 23**

7:00 a.m. – Men's Breakfast, la Madeleine

**Wednesday, April 24**

12:30 p.m. – Card Writing Ministry

7:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal

**Saturday, April 27**

7:00 p.m. – AA

**Sunday, April 28**

8:30 a.m. – In-person Worship

9:45 a.m. – Sunday School

9:45 a.m. – Adult Forum, In-person & Zoom

11:00 a.m. – In-person Worship

*(streaming available)*

7:00 p.m. – AA



**CHRIST THE KING &  
 KING'S KIDS PRESCHOOL STAFF**

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# GATHERING

*The Holy Spirit calls us together as the people of God.*

## PRELUDE

*Please stand as you are able.*

## GATHERING HYMN: ELW 544 Praise the Lord, Rise Up Rejoicing



1 Praise the Lord, rise up re - joic - ing, wor - ship, thanks, de -  
2 Scat - tered flock, one shep - herd shar - ing, lost and lone - ly,  
3 Sins for - giv - en, wrongs for - giv - ing, we go forth a -



vo - tion voic - ing: glo - ry be to God on high!  
one voice hear - ing, ears at - ten - tive to your word;  
lert and liv - ing in your Spir - it, strong and free.



Christ, your cross and pas - sion shar - ing, by this eu - cha -  
by your blood new life re - ceiv - ing, in your bod - y,  
Part - ners in your new cre - a - tion, seek - ing peace in



rist de - clar - ing yours the fi - nal vic - to - ry.  
firm be - liev - ing, we are yours, and you the Lord.  
ev - 'ry na - tion, may we faith - ful fol - l'wers be.

## GREETING

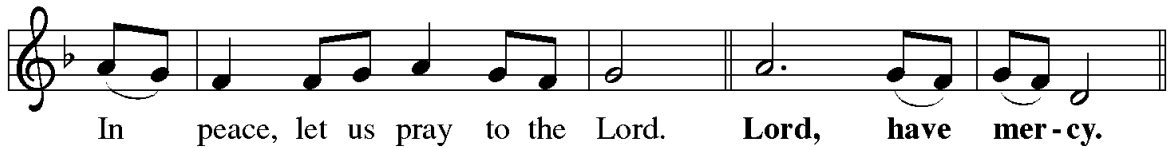
P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

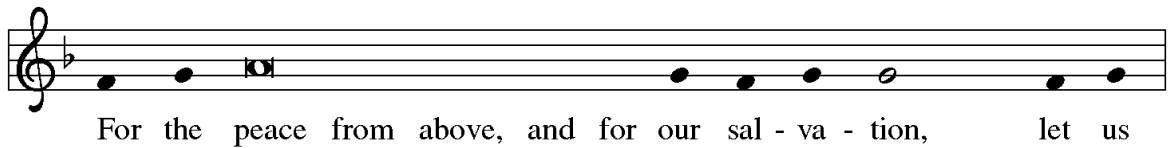
P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

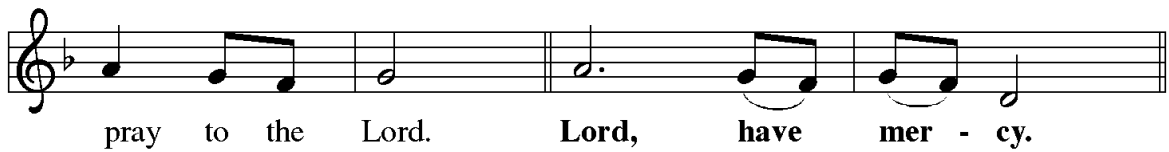
KYRIE: Lord Have Mercy



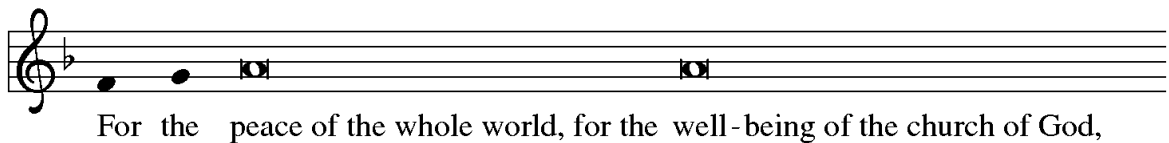
In peace, let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



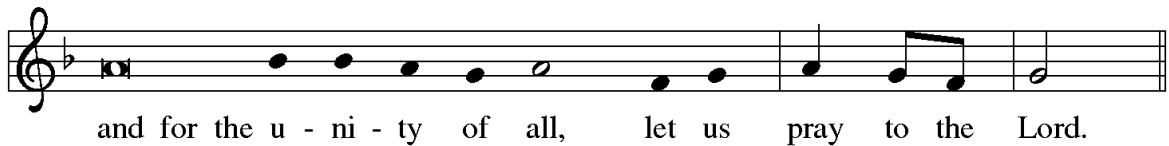
For the peace from above, and for our sal-va-tion, let us



pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



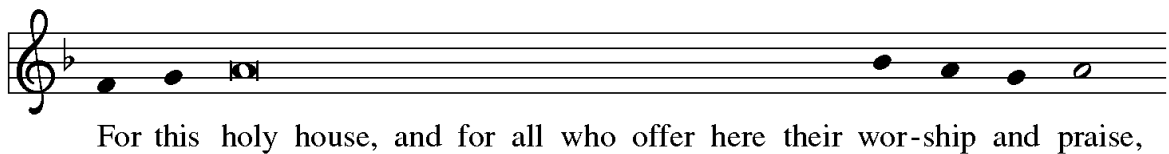
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the u-ni-ty of all, let us pray to the Lord.



**Lord, have mer-cy.**



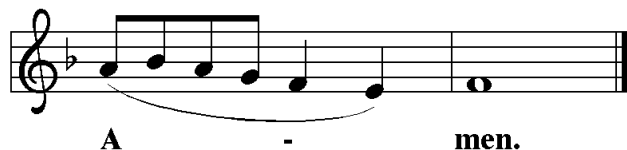
For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. **Lord, have mer-cy.**



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord.



**A - men.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE: This Is the Feast

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us  
free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and  
strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

*Refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -  
lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the  
hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and  
might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

*Final refrain*

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,  
for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## PRAYER OF THE DAY

P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

P: Let us pray. O Lord Christ, good shepherd of the sheep, you seek the lost and guide us into your fold. Feed us, and we shall be satisfied; heal us, and we shall be whole. Make us one with you, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: **Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

# WORD

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***God speaks to us in scripture reading, preaching, and song.***

## CHILDREN OF THE CHURCH

FIRST LESSON: Acts 4:5-12

R: A reading from Acts.

<sup>5</sup>The next day [the] rulers, elders, and scribes assembled in Jerusalem, <sup>6</sup>with Annas the high priest, Caiaphas, John, and Alexander, and all who were of the high-priestly family. <sup>7</sup>When they had made the prisoners stand in their midst, they inquired, "By what power or by what name did you do this?" <sup>8</sup>Then Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit, said to them, "Rulers of the people and elders, <sup>9</sup>if we are questioned today because of a good deed done to someone who was sick and are asked how this man has been healed, <sup>10</sup>let it be known to all of you, and to all the people of Israel, that this man is standing before you in good health by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified, whom God raised from the dead. <sup>11</sup>This Jesus is

'the stone that was rejected by you, the builders; it has become the cornerstone.'

<sup>12</sup>There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given among mortals by which we must be saved."

The word of the LORD.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

PSALM: Psalm 23

*said responsively*

*The Reader (R) says the regular text;  
the Congregation (C) says the **bold text**.*

R: <sup>1</sup>The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not be in want.

C: <sup>2</sup>**The LORD makes me lie down in green pastures and leads me beside still waters.**

R: <sup>3</sup>You restore my soul, O LORD, and guide me along right pathways for your name's sake.

C: <sup>4</sup>**Though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I shall fear no evil; for you are with me; your rod and your staff, they comfort me.**

R: <sup>5</sup>You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil, and my cup is running over.

C: <sup>6</sup>**Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the LORD forever.**

SECOND LESSON: 1 John 3:16-24

R: A reading from 1 John.

<sup>16</sup>We know love by this, that [Jesus Christ] laid down his life for us — and we ought to lay down our lives for one another. <sup>17</sup>How does God's love abide in anyone who has the world's goods and sees a brother or sister in need and yet refuses help?



<sup>18</sup>Little children, let us love, not in word or speech, but in truth and action. <sup>19</sup>And by this we will know that we are from the truth and will reassure our hearts before him <sup>20</sup>whenever our hearts condemn us; for God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. <sup>21</sup>Beloved, if our hearts do not condemn us, we have boldness before God; <sup>22</sup>and we receive from him whatever we ask, because we obey his commandments and do what pleases him.

<sup>23</sup>And this is his commandment, that we should believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. <sup>24</sup>All who obey his commandments abide in him, and he abides in them. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us.

The word of the LORD.

**C: Thanks be to God.**

*Please stand as you are able when the music begins.*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia

*Alleluia.*

**Jesus says, I am | the good shepherd.\* I know my own and my | own know me.**

*Alleluia.*

*- John 10:14*

GOSPEL: John 10:11-18

P: The holy gospel according to John.

**C: Glory to you, O LORD.**

P: [Jesus said:] <sup>11</sup>"I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. <sup>12</sup>The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away – and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. <sup>13</sup>The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. <sup>14</sup>I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, <sup>15</sup>just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. <sup>16</sup>I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. <sup>17</sup>For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. <sup>18</sup>No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father."

The gospel of the LORD.

**C: Praise to you, O Christ.**

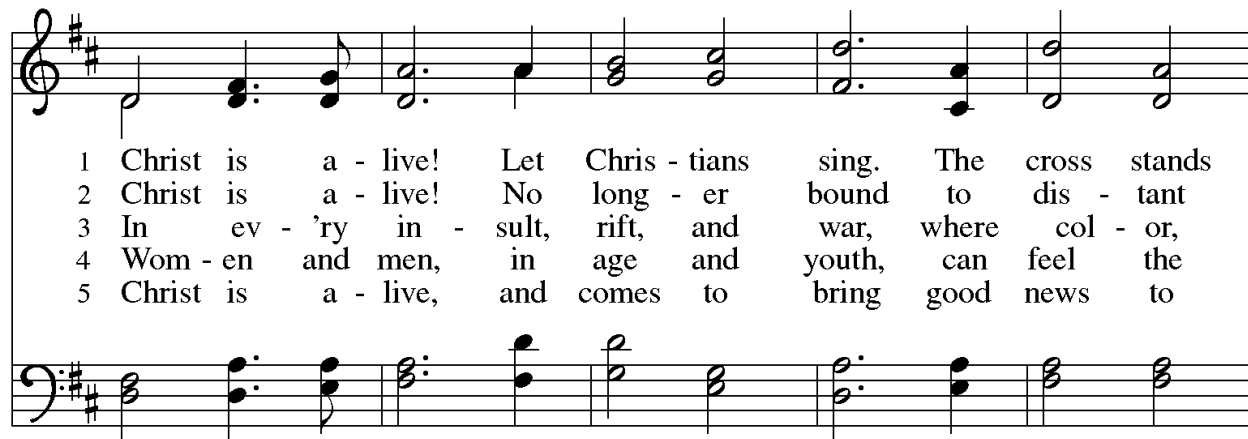
*Please be seated.*

SERMON

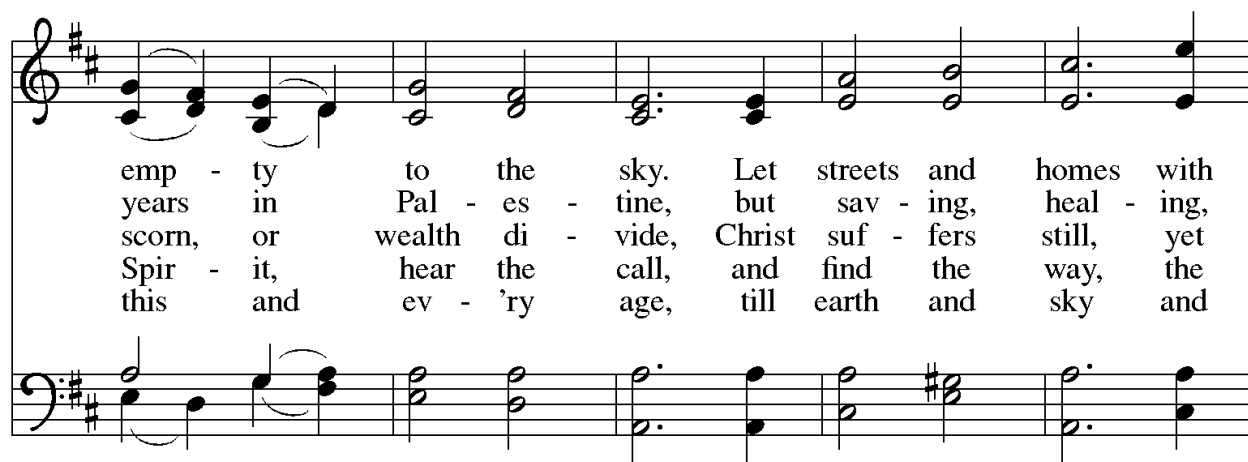
The Rev. Henry Langknecht

*Silence for meditation may follow the sermon.*

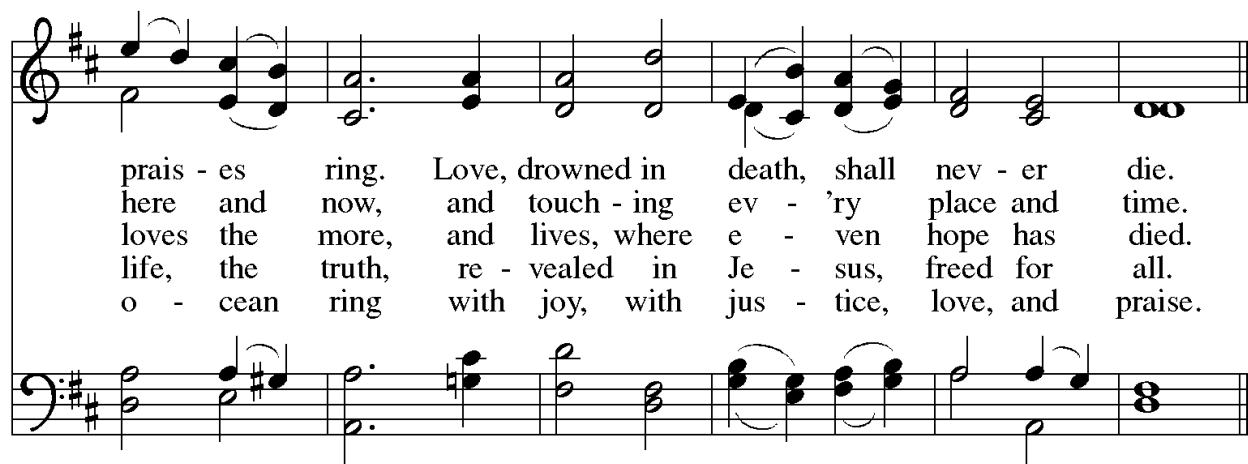
HYMN OF THE DAY: ELW 389 Christ Is Alive! Let Christians Sing



1 Christ is a - live! Let Chris - tians sing. The cross stands  
2 Christ is a - live! No long - er bound to dis - tant  
3 In ev - 'ry in - sult, rift, and war, where col - or,  
4 Wom - en and men, in age and youth, can feel the  
5 Christ is a - live, and comes to bring good news to



emp - ty to the sky. Let streets and homes with  
years in Pal - es - tine, but sav - ing, heal - ing,  
scorn, or wealth di - vide, Christ suf - fers still, yet  
Spir - it, hear the call, and find the way, the  
this and ev - 'ry age, till earth and sky and



prais - es ring. Love, drowned in death, shall nev - er die.  
here and now, and touch - ing ev - 'ry place and time.  
loves the more, and lives, where e - ven hope has died.  
life, the truth, re - vealed in Je - sus, freed for all.  
o - cean ring with joy, with jus - tice, love, and praise.

## SACRAMENT OF HOLY BAPTISM

*William Richard McCarthy*

*Children are invited to come to the front of the sanctuary.*

### PRESENTATION

P: God, who is rich in mercy and love, gives us a new birth into a living hope through the sacrament of baptism. By water and the Word God delivers us from sin and death and raises us to new life in Jesus Christ. We are united with all the baptized in the one body of Christ, anointed with the gift of the Holy Spirit, and joined in God's mission for the life of the world.

*Sponsors for the candidate present the candidate.*

**[Ethan Olson and Caroline Olson]:** We present William Richard McCarthy for baptism.

P: Called by the Holy Spirit, trusting in the grace and love of God, do you desire to have your son William baptized into Christ?

**[Richard & Rachel McCarthy]:** I do.

P: As you bring your son to receive the gift of baptism, you are entrusted with responsibilities: to live with him among God's faithful people, bring him to the word of God and the holy supper, teach him the Lord's Prayer, the Creed, and the Ten Commandments, place in his hands the holy scriptures, and nurture him in faith and prayer, so that he may learn to trust God, proclaim Christ through word and deed, care for others and the world God made, and work for justice and peace.

Do you promise to help William grow in the Christian faith and life?

**[Richard & Rachel]:** I do.

P: Ethan and Caroline, do you promise to nurture William in the Christian faith as you are empowered by God's Spirit, and to help him live in the covenant of baptism and in communion with the church?

**[Ethan and Caroline]:** I do.

P: People of God, do you promise to support William and pray for him in his new life in Christ?

**C: We do.**

*The congregation stands and joins in the Profession of Faith.*

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

P: I ask you to profess your faith in Christ Jesus, reject sin, and confess the faith of the church.

Do you renounce the devil and all the forces that defy God, the powers of this world that rebel against God, and the ways of sin that draw you from God?

**C: I renounce them.**

P: Do you believe in God the Father?

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

P: Do you believe in Jesus Christ, the Son of God?

**C: 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.**

P: Do you believe in God the Holy Spirit?

**C: 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.**

#### THANKSGIVING AT THE FONT

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: Holy God, holy and merciful, holy and mighty, you are the river of life, you are the everlasting wellspring, you are the fire of rebirth.

Glory to you for oceans and lakes, for rivers and streams. Honor to you for cloud and rain, for dew and snow. Your waters are below us, around us, above us: our life is born in you. You are the fountain of resurrection.

Praise to you for your saving waters: Noah and the animals survive the flood, Hagar discovers your well. The Israelites escape through the sea, and they drink from your gushing rock. Naaman washes his leprosy away, and the Samaritan woman will never be thirsty again.

At this font, holy God, we pray: Praise to you for the water of baptism and for your Word that saves us in this water. Breathe your Spirit into all who are gathered here and into all creation. Illumine our days. Enliven our bones. Dry our tears. Wash away the sin within us, and drown the evil around us.

Satisfy all our thirst with your living water, Jesus Christ, our Savior, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*The congregation may be seated.*

## BAPTISM

P: William Richard, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

P: Let us pray.

We give you thanks, O God, that through water and the Holy Spirit you give your daughters and sons new birth, cleanse them from sin, and raise them to eternal life.

Sustain William with the gift of your Holy Spirit: the spirit of wisdom and understanding, the spirit of counsel and might, the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord, the spirit of joy in your presence, both now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

P: William, child of God, you have been sealed by the Holy Spirit and marked with the cross of Christ forever.

**C: Amen.**

## WELCOME

*A lighted candle is given to a sponsor of the newly baptized as a representative of the congregation says:*

A: Jesus said, I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will have the light of life.

*The pastor and the baptismal group face the assembly.*

A: Let us welcome the newly baptized, William.

**C: We welcome you into the body of Christ and into the mission we share: join us in giving thanks and praise to God and bearing God's creative and redeeming word to all the world.**

## PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

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A: Rejoicing that Jesus is risen and love has triumphed over fear, let us pray for the church, the world, and all those in need of good news.

Shepherding God, gather your church whenever we wander from you and one another. Empower our church in ministries around the world to worship and serve alongside global companions as equal partners and coworkers in the gospel. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Nurturing God, preserve the health of biomes and ecosystems. Inspire scientists, researchers, conservation organizations, and all people entrusted with the task of caring for creation, that we may be better stewards of the world around us. We ask your blessing on our beehives. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

A: Almighty God, lead nations and communities to share resources, cooperate in solving conflicts, and listen to the wisdom of Indigenous peoples. Help all those with power to share it and to use such power for good. God of grace,

**C: hear our prayer.**

- A: Loving God, protect the very young and the very old, those living without housing, victims of domestic abuse, and all who live with chronic illness or compromised immune systems. Guide communities to actively care for people who are vulnerable. God of grace,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- A: Gracious God, help this and all communities of faith to listen for your voice. Call us away from things that distract us from following you. Invite us to more deeply love and serve people who are lonely, isolated, and on the margins. God of grace,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- A: Living God, we give thanks for our ancestors in faith Anselm of Canterbury and all who labored to help generations understand the good news of the gospel. Strengthen us to share the good news in our own day. God of grace,
- C: **hear our prayer.**
- A: Into your hands, most merciful God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your abiding love; through Jesus Christ, our resurrected and living Lord.
- C: **Amen.**

## GREETING OF PEACE

*Please greet one another with a sign of Christ's peace by saying Peace be with you as you shake hands or embrace. Please be seated following the sharing of the peace.*

- P: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!
- C: **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**
- P: The peace of Christ be with you always.
- C: **And also with you.**

## MEAL

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**God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.**

## OFFERING AND MUSICAL OFFERING

*During the offering, plates will be passed along the pews in which to place your offering. Make checks payable to "Christ the King Lutheran Church". Contributions go toward the ministries and programs of Christ the King Lutheran Church.*

## OFFERING AND REGATHERING SONG: Lamb of God

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.

## OFFERING PRAYER

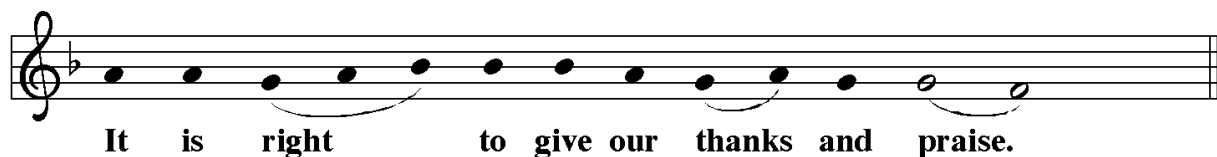
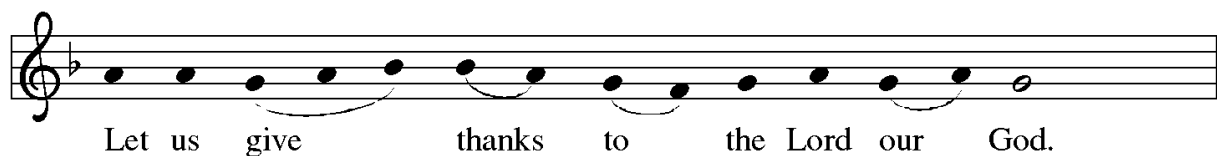
A: Let us pray.

Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

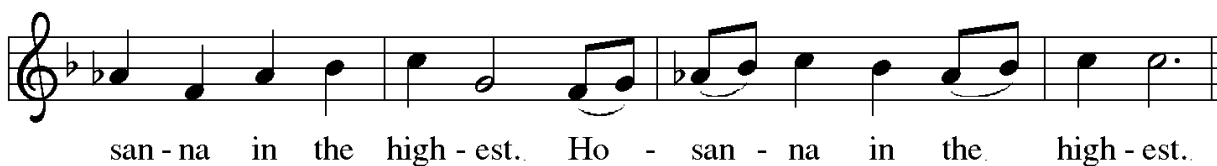
## GREAT THANKSGIVING

### DIALOGUE



## PREFACE

### HOLY, HOLY, HOLY



## THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

- P: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory.  
In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.  
In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:  
Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.  
Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:  
This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.  
Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.  
Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.
- C: **Amen**

### LORD'S PRAYER

- P: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.
- 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**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

- P: Come to the banquet, for all is now ready.

## DISTRIBUTION WITH MUSICAL OFFERING

*Instructions for communion distribution will be given at this time.*

*All who seek God and a deeper life in Christ are welcome to participate in Holy Communion. Those who have not received instruction or who wish not to receive communion may come forward for a blessing.*

## PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

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

## SENDING

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***God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.***

## BLESSING

- P: 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.
- C: **Amen.**

SENDING HYMN: ELW 679 For the Fruit of All Creation



1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.  
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.  
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.  
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.  
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,  
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,  
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.  
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.  
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

DISMISSAL

A: Alleluia! Christ is Risen!

C: **Christ is risen indeed! Alleluia!**

A: Go in peace. Share the good news!

C: **Thanks be to God!**

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