

Holy Communion

Christ the King Sunday Last Sunday after Pentecost Sunday, November 20, 2022 8:30 a.m. Eucharist

Exploring the promise of God for all

Welcome to Central Lutheran Church. You are welcome, no exceptions.

Here are a few notes you might find helpful for worship:

Bold print indicates responses spoken by all.

Masks are welcomed, and everyone should mask while singing. Congregational hymns are found printed in this bulletin or in the red hymnal, *Evangelical Lutheran Worship*.

PRELUDE

Affetuoso & Allegro from the Sonata in D

George Frederic Handel

(Please stand at the sound of the bell)

Gathering

OPENING SENTENCES

Psalm 46:8-11

The Lord of hosts is with us;

the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Come now, regard the works of the Lord,

what desolations God has brought upon the earth; behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;

who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, then, and know that I am God;

I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

OPENING HYMN

Hymn 414

"Holy God, We Praise Your Name"

Stanzas 1, 2, and 4

PRAYER OF THE DAY

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.



The Holy Spirit gathers us in unity on this first day of the week.

Let us pray.
Holy God, our refuge and strength,
you have redeemed your scattered children,
gathering them from all the corners of the earth
through your firstborn, the Christ,
in whom all things are held together.
Make of us a just and righteous people,
worthy by grace to inherit with him
the kingdom of light and peace
where he reigns with you and the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

(Please be seated)

Word

READING Colossians 1:11-20

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

(Please stand)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Celtic Alleluia





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



GOSPEL Luke 23:33-43

The Holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left.

34Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. 35And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" 36The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, 37and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" 38There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

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

(Please be seated)

SERMON

(Please stand)

HYMN OF THE DAY

"You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd"

printed on page 6 Stanzas 1, 3, and 4

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

As scattered grains of wheat are gathered together into one bread, so let us gather our prayers for the church, those in need, and all of God's good creation.

Each petition concludes:

God of grace:

Hear our prayer.

Gathered together in the sweet communion of the Holy Spirit, gracious God, we offer these and all our prayers to you; through Jesus Christ, our Savior

Amen.

PEACE

The peace of the Lord be with you all. **And also with you.**

(Please be seated)

MUSICAL OFFERING

"The Lark Ascending"

Ralph Vaughan Williams



God feeds us with the presence of Jesus Christ.

Meal

(Please stand)

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Parent...
... to share with us the great and promised feast.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Send now, we pray, your Holy Spirit...

... and receive our inheritance with all your saints in light.

Amen. Come, Holy Spirit.

Join our prayers with those of your servants...

... all glory and honor is yours, almighty Father, now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Our Father in heaven,

hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven.

Give us today our daily bread.

Forgive us our sins.

as we forgive those who sin against us.

Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil.

For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

(Please be seated)

COMMUNION

All are invited to receive these gifts of God.

Children are welcome to come forward and receive communion or a blessing.

POST COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray.

We give you thanks, most gracious God, that you have fed us with the bread of heaven and given us a foretaste of Paradise. Enliven us to be your body in the world and to serve those who are in need; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

Sending

BLESSING

The God of peace, who creates all things and calls them good, who makes us alive in Jesus, and who breathes on us the spirit of hope, + bless you now and forever.

Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

"Now Thank We All Our God"

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world. **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Toccata from the Fifth Organ Symphony

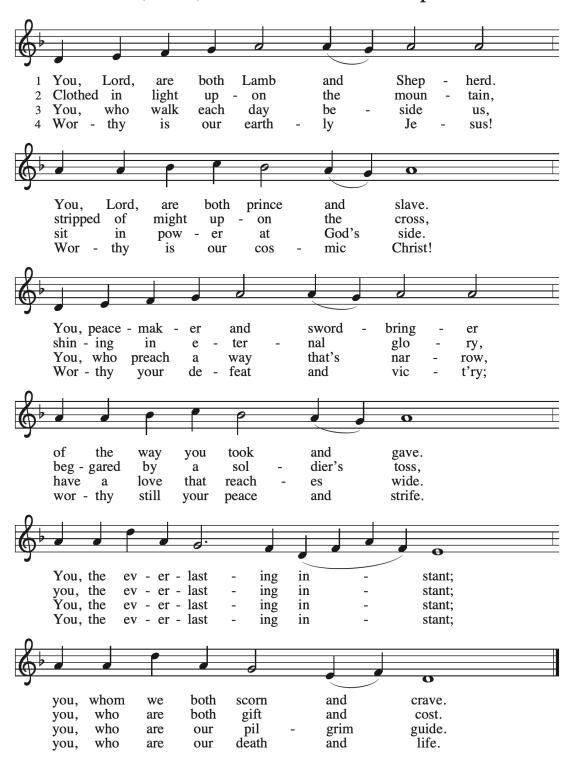
Charles Marie Widor

Hymn 840



God blesses us and sends us for shared mission in our shared world.

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd



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Soli Deo Gloria!

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