



GRACE LUTHERAN
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**SERVED AND SERVING
CONSECRATION SUNDAY**

**CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
NOVEMBER 21, 2020 - 5:00 PM
NOVEMBER 22, 2020 - 10:45 AM**

*(The * indicates when the congregation is to stand.)*

PRELUDE

WELCOME

***PROCESSIONAL HYMN** “Christ Is the King” *(tune: Gelobt sei Gott)*
(Stand and face the cross as it enters the Sanctuary.)

**Christ is the King! O friends, now sing; Brothers and sisters come and bring,
All praises to our God and King! Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Oh, magnify the Lord, and raise Anthems of joy and holy praise
For all His saints of ancient days. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**O Christian women, Christian men, All the world over, seek again
The way His faithful followed then. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

**Let love’s all reconciling might Your scattered companies unite
In service to the Lord of light. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!**

***THE INVOCATION, CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION**

Vicar: In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: **Amen.**

Vicar: Oh come, let us sing to the Lord;

People: **let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!**

Vicar: Let us come into His presence with thanksgiving!

People: **For the LORD is a great God.**

Vicar: Oh come, let us worship and bow down.

People: **For He is our God,**

Vicar: and we are the people of His pasture,

People: and the sheep of His hand.

Vicar: Indeed, our heavenly Father has called us to be His people. He has led us to green pastures and still waters. Yet, there have been times when we have treated our fellow sheep with disdain, when we have wandered away from our Shepherd. But our Good Shepherd does not abandon us, and we confess our sins before Him and one another.

Vicar: Heavenly Father,

People: we confess that we have wandered away from You. We confess that we have acted shamefully toward our brothers and sisters in Christ. We have sinned in our thoughts, words, and actions. We have failed by our inactivity. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, O Lord, that we might follow You to the green pastures and still waters of everlasting life.

Vicar: Our heavenly Father has heard Your confession and sent His only Son, Jesus, to be our Good Shepherd. Jesus searches for each one of His sheep. He brings back those who have strayed. He binds up the injured. He even lays down His life for the sheep. By Christ's death and resurrection, God forgives you all your sins. As a servant of Christ and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen. We are sought by our Shepherd. We are forgiven in Christ.

***THE HYMN OF PRAISE "Crown Him with Many Crowns"**

Hymn 525

(sts. 1, 4 & 5)

**Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.**

**Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless king Through all eternity.**

**Crown Him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave
And rose victorious in the strife For those He came to save.**

**His glories now we sing, Who died and rose on high,
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.**

**Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above,
Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.
Crown Him with many crowns As thrones before Him fall;
Crown Him, ye kings, with many crowns, For He is king of all.**

VERSE OF THE DAY

1 Peter 4:10

Each one should use whatever gift he has received to serve others,
faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.

THE FIRST READING

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

¹¹“For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. ¹²As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. ¹³I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. ¹⁴I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD. ¹⁶I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice... ²⁰“Therefore this is what the Sovereign LORD says to them: See, I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. ²¹Because you shove with flank and shoulder, butting all the weak sheep with your horns until you have driven them away, ²²I will save my flock, and they will no longer be plundered. I will judge between one sheep and another. ²³I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. ²⁴I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the LORD have spoken.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

THE SECOND READING

Philippians 2:3-11

³Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit, but in humility consider others better than yourselves. ⁴Each of you should look not only to your own interests, but also to the interests of others. ⁵Your attitude should be the same as that of Christ Jesus: ⁶Who, being in very nature God, did not consider equality with God something to be grasped, ⁷but made himself nothing, taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. ⁸And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself and became obedient to death - even death on a cross! ⁹Therefore God exalted him to the highest place and gave him the name that is above every name, ¹⁰that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, ¹¹and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God**

THE ANTHEM

“To God Be the Glory”
(Grace Chorale)

arr. C. Berry

*THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 25:31-46

Pastor: The Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

³¹“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his throne in heavenly glory. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. ³³He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. ³⁴“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. ³⁵For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited

me in, ³⁶ I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’ ³⁷“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? ³⁸ When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? ³⁹ When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’ ⁴⁰“The King will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did for me.’ ⁴¹“Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. ⁴² For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³ was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’ ⁴⁴“They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’ ⁴⁵“He will reply, ‘I tell you the truth, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’ ⁴⁶“Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

Pastor: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

[10:45] CHILDREN’S MESSAGE

***SERMON HYMN**

“The King of Love My Shepherd Is”
(sts. 1, 3 & 4)

Hymn 709

**The King of love my shepherd is,
Whose goodness faileth never;
I nothing lack if I am His
And He is mine forever.**

**Perverse and foolish oft I strayed,
But yet in love He sought me
And on His shoulder gently laid
And home rejoicing brought me.**

In death's dark vale I fear no ill
With Thee, dear Lord, beside me,
Thy rod and staff my comfort still,
Thy cross before to guide me.

THE SERMON Stewards Sent to Serve Part 3 - "Served and Serving"

***PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH**

Pastor: Lord, in Your mercy,

People: Hear our prayer.

HOLY COMMUNION

***WORDS OF PREPARATION**

***WORDS OF INSTITUTION**

***BLESSING OF THE PLEDGES AND COMMITMENTS**

***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 and ever. Amen.

C 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.

DISTRIBUTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

(Worshippers are self-dismissed to exit after communing.)

MUSIC DURING THE DISTRIBUTION

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”
(sts. 1-5)

Hymn 549

**All hail the pow’r of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.
[Bring forth the royal diadem And crown Him Lord of all.]**

**Crown Him, ye martyrs of our God, Who from His altar call;
Extol the stem of Jesse’s rod And crown Him Lord of all.
[Extol the stem of Jesse’s rod And crown Him Lord of all.]**

**Ye seed of Israel’s chosen race, Ye ransomed from the fall,
Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.
[Hail Him who saves you by His grace And crown Him Lord of all.]**

**Hail Him, ye heirs of David's line, Whom David Lord did call,
The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.
[The God incarnate, man divine, And crown Him Lord of all.]**

**Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget The wormwood and the gall,
Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.
[Go, spread your trophies at His feet And crown Him Lord of all.]**

"Before You, Lord, We Bow"

Hymn 966

**Before You, Lord, we bow,
Our God who reigns above
And rules the world below,
Boundless in pow'r and love.
Our thanks we bring In joy and praise,
Our hearts we raise To You, our King!**

**The nation You have blest
May well Your love declare,
From foes and fears at rest,
Protected by Your care.
For this bright day, For this fair land—
Gifts of Your hand — Our thanks we pay.**

**May ev'ry mountain height,
Each vale and forest green,
Shine in Your Word's pure light,
And its rich fruits be seen!
May ev'ry tongue Be tuned to praise
And join to raise A grateful song.**

**Earth, hear your Maker's voice;
Your great Redeemer own;
Believe, obey, rejoice,
And worship Him alone.**

**Cast down your pride, Your sin deplore,
And bow before The Crucified.**

**And when in pow'r He comes,
Oh, may our native land
From all its rending tombs
Send forth a glorious band,
A countless throng, With joy to sing
To heav'n's high King Salvation's song!**

"Christ the Eternal Lord"
(sts. 1, 3 & 5)

Hymn 829

**Christ the eternal Lord, Whose promise here we claim,
Whose gifts of grace are freely poured On all who name Your name;
With thankfulness and praise We stand before Your throne,
Intent to serve You all our days And make Your glory known.**

**Christ the redeeming Son, Who shares our human birth,
And by His death salvation won For ev'ry child of earth;
Inspire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love abroad,
That all may honor Christ today And follow Him as Lord.**

**Christ the ascended King Exalted high above,
Whose praise unending ages sing, Whom yet unseen we love;
When mortal life is past Your voice from heaven's throne
Shall call Your children home at last To know as we are known.**

WORSHIP SERVICE LEADERS

SATURDAY, 5:00 PM

The Preacher	The Rev. Charles T. Reich
The Organist	Wynn Bonner
Communion Deacon	Jackie Stine
Post-Communion Blessing	Roger Walker
The Lector	Bill McComb
The Usher/Greeter Team	Don & Connie March

SUNDAY, 10:45 AM

The Preacher	The Rev. Charles T. Reich
The Celebrant/Liturgist	Vicar Michael Duffy
The Organist	Wynn Bonner
The Sound Technician	Rodney Steffen
The Elder on Duty	Janet Pabor
The Communion Deacons	Fred Aceto, Krista Bernthal, Lou Marinelli
Post-Communion Blessing	Ron Booth, Jennifer Smith
The Lectors	Angie Nierman, Steve Nierman
The Robing Leader	Leah Welter
The Crucifer	Lillian Witcher
The Candle Bearers	Brayden Carbone, Steven Reimann
The Acolytes	Kennedy Miller, Vincent Miller
The Welcome Team Greeter	Victor Smith
At the Welcome Center	Jennifer Smith
The Welcome Team Ushers	Steve Hnatiuk, Dr. Ken Rogers, Chris Zinsmeister

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