

Worship Leader Edition
Christ the King and
First Sunday of Advent – Joy

November 26, 2023

8:30 AM

GATHERING

PRELUDE

“Santo, Santo, Santo”
Bells of Praise

Mary Kay Parrish

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS *{Front Center}*

+OPENING HYMN

“All Hail the Power of Jesus Name!”
Verses 1, 5 & 6

ELW #634

Verse 1

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.

And crown him Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe
And crown him Lord of all.

Verse 6

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng
We at his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song
And crown him Lord of all.

Verse 5

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
On this terrestrial ball
To him all majesty ascribe

+GREETING *{Front Center}* *(Britt Halaas)*

L: Jesus, the brightest star of the morning, gives us his promise: “Look! I am coming quickly.”
The Spirit and the church say “Come!” Let everyone who hears answer, “Come!”

C: Amen! Even so come, Lord Jesus!

(Assistant may be seated if not cantoring)

+KYRIE *(cantor and congregation)*

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L: In peace let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace from above, and for our salvation, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord, have mercy.

L: For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God, and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

L: For this holy house, and for all who offer here their worship and praise, let us pray to the Lord.

C: Lord have mercy.

L: Help, save, comfort, and defend us, gracious Lord.

C: Amen.

+HYMN OF PRAISE *(cantor and congregation)*

“Glory to God”

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L: Glory to God in the highest, and peace to God's people on earth.

C: Lord God, heavenly King, almighty God and Father, we worship you, we give you thanks, we praise you for your glory. Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father, Lord God, Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world: have mercy on us; you are seated at the right hand of the Father: receive our prayer. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

+PRAYER OF THE DAY {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

L: O God, with all your faithful followers of every age, we praise you, the rock of our life. Be our strong foundation and form us into the body of your Son, that we may gladly minister with great joy to all the world, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

WORD

FIRST READING {*Lectern*} (*Angela Hansen*)

Jeremiah 3:14-18

Return, O faithless children, says the LORD, for I am your master; I will take you, one from a city and two from a family, and I will bring you to Zion. I will give you shepherds after my own heart, who will feed you with knowledge and understanding. And when you have multiplied and increased in the land, in those days, says the LORD, they shall no longer say, 'The ark of the covenant of the LORD.' It shall not come to mind, or be remembered, or missed; nor shall another one be made. At that time Jerusalem shall be called the throne of the LORD, and all nations shall gather to it, to the presence of the LORD in Jerusalem, and they shall no longer stubbornly follow their own evil will. In those days the house of Judah shall join the house of Israel, and together they shall come from the land of the north to the land that I gave your ancestors for a heritage.

L: The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

+GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

"Alleluia"

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C: Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Please stand as you are able.

+THE HOLY GOSPEL

Matthew 16:13-20

Now when Jesus came into the district of Caesarea Philippi, he asked his disciples, 'Who do people say that the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say John the Baptist, but others Elijah, and still others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' He said to them, 'But who do you say that I am?' Simon Peter answered, 'You are the Messiah, the Son of the living God.' And Jesus answered him, 'Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah! For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my Father in heaven. And I tell you, you are Peter, and on this rock I will build my church, and the gates of Hades will not prevail against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven, and whatever you bind on earth will be bound in heaven, and whatever you loose on earth will be loosed in heaven.' Then he sternly ordered the disciples not to tell anyone that he was the Messiah.

L: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to You, O Christ.

+HYMN OF THE DAY

"Come, Thou Almighty King"

ELW #408

Verse 1

Come, thou almighty King,
Help us thy name to sing;
Help us to praise;
Father all-glorious,
O'er all victorious,
Come and reign over us,
Ancient of Days.

Verse 2

Come, thou incarnate Word,
Merciful, mighty Lord;
Our prayer attend.
Come and thy people bless,
And give thy word success,
And let thy righteousness
On us descend.

Verse 3

Come, holy Comforter,
Thy sacred witness bear
In this glad hour!
Thou, who almighty art,
Rule now in ev'ry heart,
Never from us depart,
Spirit of pow'r.

Verse 4

To thee, great One in Three,
Eternal praises be
Hence evermore!
Thy sov'reign majesty
May we in glory see,
And to eternity
Love and adore.

SERMON

Rob Norris-Weber, Pastor

BLESSING OF THE ADVENT WREATH {*Front Center*} (*The Ericksons*)

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L: For you shall go out in joy, and be led back in peace; the mountains and the hills before you shall burst into song, and all the trees of the field shall clap their hands. Isaiah 55:12

CANDLE LIGHTING (first candle is lit) {*Front Center*}

Screen

L: Holy Spirit, clothe me in a spirit of beatitude such that I may be a source of joy for others today. Holy Spirit, fill me with joy! God, I'm struggling to find happiness in this season. Please be with me and guide me toward you as I desire happiness with You.

C: Amen

SONG:

“Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn”

ELW #242/Screen

Verse 1

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Awake! Awake, and greet the new morn
For angels herald its dawning.
Sing out your joy, for soon he is born,
Behold! The Child of our longing.

Come as a baby weak poor,
To bring all hearts together,
He opens wide the heav'nly door
And lives now inside as forever.

+THE APOSTLES' CREED {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

Screen

C: 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.

+THE PRAYERS {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

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After each petition:

L: Lord, in your mercy

C: Hear our prayer.

+THE LORD'S PRAYER {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

Screen

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.

+SHARING OF THE PEACE {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

L: The peace of the Lord be with you all.

C: And also with you.

L: For all who are gathered, let us take a moment to welcome those around us with a greeting. For those of you online, please share a word of peace in the comment or chat. Most all as we go out into the world may we greet others as people of peace.

TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

L: You may be seated. In this time of reflection and response you are invited to fill out your welcome card. Share any reflections, questions, or prayers on the back. Also, take this time to prepare your offering. For those gathered the collection plates are in the front and back, and there is a QR code in the bulletin to give electronically. For those on-line please go to our website stlukesbloomington.org there is a link to give at the bottom of every page. Enjoy this time.

MUSIC

“Canticle of the Turning”
Bells of Praise

Karen Thompson

SENDING

+BENEDICTION

L: The hour has arrived for us to stop sleeping and wake up. Let us throw off the trappings of darkness and walk in the Light, blessing all creation. In the name of the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen

Verse 1

Blessed be the God of Israel
Who comes to set us free
and raises up new hope for us:
a Branch from David’s tree.
So have the prophets long declared
That with a mighty arm
God would turn back our enemies
and all who wish us harm.

that we might worship without fear
and offer lives of praise,
in holiness and righteousness
to serve God all our days.

Verse 3

My child, as prophet of the Lord
You will prepare the way,
to tell God’s people they are saved
from sin’s eternal sway.

Verse 2

With promised mercy will God still
the covenant recall,
the oath once sworn to Abraham,
from foes to save us all;

Then shall God’s mercy from high
shine forth and never cease
to drive away the gloom of death
and lead us into peace.

+DISMISSAL {*Front Center*} (*Britt Halaas*)

L: Go to love and serve the Lord with Joy!

C: In the name of Christ. Amen!

POSTLUDE

*Altar Flowers Today Given by
Andy and Jan Pankratz
In celebration of son & grandson's birthday*