

# Christ the King Sunday

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## THE SERVICE – SETTING ONE with Communion

**THREAD:** *Christ's reign produces safety for the scattered.*

### Hymn: The Head That Once Was Crowned with Thorns

CW 531



1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is  
2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords is  
3 The joy of all who dwell a - bove, the  
4 To them the cross, with all its shame, with



crowned with glo - ry now; a roy - al di - a -  
his, is his by right, the King of kings and  
joy of all be - low to whom he man - i -  
all its grace, is giv'n; their name, an ev - er -



dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.  
Lord of lords and heav'n's e - ter - nal light;  
fests his love and grants his name to know.  
last - ing name, their joy, the joy of heav'n.

- 5 They suffer with their Lord below,  
they reign with him above,  
their profit and their joy to know  
the myst'ry of his love.
- 6 The cross he bore is life and health,  
though shame and death to him:  
his people's hope, his people's wealth,  
their everlasting theme.

In the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

### Confession

CW 154

If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us.

**If we confess our sins, God is faithful and just  
and will forgive us our sins  
and purify us from all unrighteousness.**

Let us confess our sins to the Lord.

**Holy God, gracious Father,**

**I am sinful by nature**

**and have sinned against you in my thoughts, words, and actions.**

**I have not loved you with my whole heart;**

**I have not loved others as I should.**

**I deserve your punishment both now and forever.**

**But Jesus, my Savior, paid for my sins**

**with his innocent suffering and death.**

**Trusting in him, I pray: God, have mercy on me, a sinner.**

*Silence for meditation and reflection*

Our gracious Father in heaven has been merciful to us. He sent his only Son, Jesus Christ, who gave his life as the atoning sacrifice for the sins of the whole world. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the † Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**Amen.**

## **Lord, Have Mercy**

In peace let us pray to the Lord.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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.

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Lord, have mercy.**

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

**Amen.**

## **Glory Be to God**

CW 157



Glory be to God on high, and on earth peace, good will toward men.



We praise you, we bless you, we wor - ship you, we glorify you,



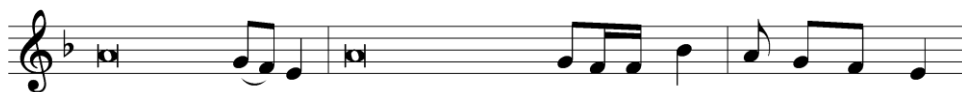
we give thanks to you, for your great glory, O Lord God, heav'n-ly King,



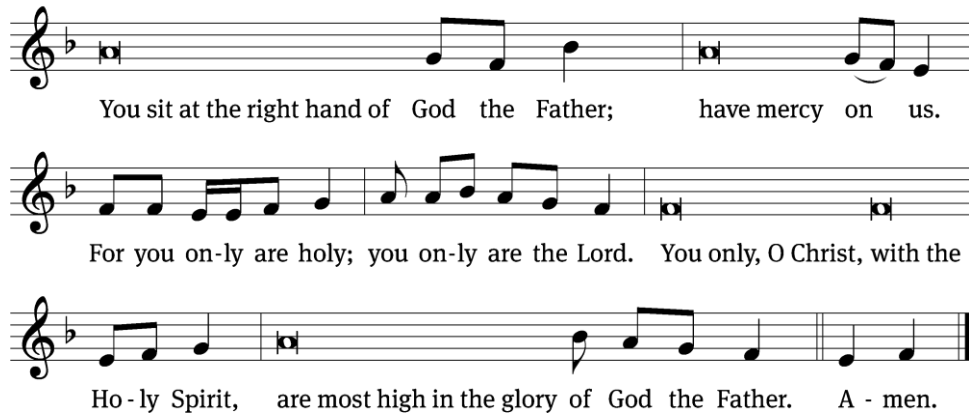
God the Fa-ther Al - mighty. O Lord, the only-begotten Son, Je-sus Christ;



O Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sin of the world;



have mercy on us. You take away the sin of the world; re-ceive our prayer.



You sit at the right hand of God the Father; have mercy on us.  
 For you on-ly are holy; you on-ly are the Lord. You only, O Christ, with the  
 Ho-ly Spirit, are most high in the glory of God the Father. A - men.

## THE WORD

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**

### Prayer of the Day

Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

### First Reading

*Jeremiah 23:1-6*

<sup>1</sup>“Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!” declares the LORD. <sup>2</sup>Therefore this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: “Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done,” declares the LORD. <sup>3</sup>“I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. <sup>4</sup>I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing,” declares the LORD.

<sup>5</sup>“The days are coming,” declares the LORD,  
 “when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch,  
 a King who will reign wisely  
 and do what is just and right in the land.

<sup>6</sup>In his days Judah will be saved  
 and Israel will live in safety.

This is the name by which he will be called:  
 The LORD Our Righteous Savior.

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

# Psalm: The Rock of Our Salvation

Psalm 95A

## Refrain



Let us shout for joy to the rock of our sal - va - tion.

## Tone



Come, let us sing for joy / to the LORD;  
let us shout aloud to the rock of our sal- / vation.

Let us come before him with thanks- / giving  
and extol him with mu- / sic and song.

For the LORD is the / great God,  
the great King a- / bove all gods.

In his hand are the depths / of the earth,  
and the mountain peaks be- / long to him.

The sea is his, for he / made it,  
and his hands formed the / dry land. *Refrain*

Come, let us bow down in / worship,  
let us kneel before the LORD our / maker;  
for he is our God and we are the people of his / pasture,  
the flock under / his care.

Today, if only you would / hear his voice,  
“Do not hard- / en your hearts  
as you did at / Meribah,  
as you did that day at Massah in the / wilderness.”

**Glory be to the Father and / to the Son  
and to the Holy / Spirit,  
as it was in the be- / ginning,**

**is now, and will be forever. / Amen. *Refrain***

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## Second Reading

Colossians 1:13–20

<sup>13</sup>For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

<sup>15</sup>The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. <sup>16</sup>For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup>And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. <sup>19</sup>For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, <sup>20</sup>and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

The Word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

## Gospel Acclamation

Luke 23:42,43

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

**“Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”**

Jesus answered him, "Today you will be with me in paradise."

**Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.**

**Gospel**

Luke 23:35-43

<sup>35</sup>The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One."

<sup>36</sup>The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar <sup>37</sup>and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."

<sup>38</sup>There was a written notice above him, which read: this is the king of the jews.

<sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

<sup>40</sup>But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? <sup>41</sup>We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."

<sup>42</sup>Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

<sup>43</sup>Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise be to you, O Christ!**

**Hymn of the Day: Lo! He Comes with Clouds Descending**

CW 487



1 Lo! He comes with clouds de - scend - ing,  
2 Ev - 'ry eye shall now be - hold him  
3 Those dear to - kens of his pas - sion  
4 Yea, a - men, let all a - dore thee



once for ev - 'ry sin - ner slain;  
robed in glo - rious maj - es - ty;  
still his daz - zling bod - y bears,  
high on thine e - ter - nal throne;



thou - sand thou - sand saints at - tend - ing  
those who set at naught and sold him,  
cause of end - less ex - ul - ta - tion  
Sav - ior, take the pow'r and glo - ry,



swell the tri - umph of his train:  
pierced and nailed him to the tree,  
to his ran - somed wor - ship - ers.  
claim the king - dom as thine own.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -  
deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly wail - ing, deep - ly  
With what rap - ture, with what rap - ture, with what  
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le -



lu - ia! Christ re - veals his end - less reign.  
wail - ing, shall their true Mes - si - ah see.  
rap - ture, gaze we on those glo - rious scars!  
lu - ia! Thou shalt reign, and thou a - lone!

## Sermon

Colossians 1:13-20

### Jesus OUR King

Rev. Joshua Shandor

#### Nicene Creed

**We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is,  
seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation, he came down from heaven,  
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary,  
and became truly human.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate.**

**He suffered death and was buried.**

**On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures.**

**He ascended into heaven**

**and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

**He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who in unity with the Father and the Son  
is worshiped and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**We believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

## Prayer of the Church

Almighty God and Father, we thank you for all your mercies, especially for the gift of your Son, through whom you have revealed your gracious will. We praise you for the Holy Spirit and his working through the means of grace.

**Plant your Word in our hearts, and cause it to produce fruit in our lives.**

Strengthen and defend your Church, that by your Word and sacraments faith may grow and love toward all may increase.

**Support all who spread the light of your truth throughout the world.**

Keep our children in the grace of their baptisms. Enable their parents to train them in lives of faith.

**Raise up Christians to serve you in the ministry of the Word and in all godly walks of life.**

Preserve our nation in justice and honor. Guide and bless all who make, administer, and judge our laws.

**Give them wisdom that they may promote justice and hinder evil.**

Let your blessing rest on planting and harvest, commerce and industry, medicine and science, the arts and culture.

Protect all who travel, and care for those whose work is difficult or dangerous.

**Be with all who devote themselves to any useful task.**

Comfort all who are in sorrow or need, sickness or adversity. Remember those who suffer persecution for the faith.

Have mercy on those for whom death draws near.

**Grant them your love, and take them into your tender care.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

... Lord, in your mercy,

**Hear our prayer.**

Hear us, Lord, as we pray in silence.

*Silent prayer*

We remember with thanksgiving those who have loved and served you, who now rest from their labors. Console those who are mourning or living with sadness.

**Keep us in the true faith, and bring us at last to the joys of heaven.**

Grant us these things, Father, for the sake of Jesus, who died and rose again.

**Amen.**

**Offering** – *The mail at church is being collected. Offerings may be mailed to:*

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## THE SACRAMENT

### Preface

CW 165

The Lord be with you.

**And also with you.**

Lift up your hearts.

**We lift them up to the Lord.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time, when he will come



again as king to judge all people and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

## Holy, Holy, Holy

CW 167



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of heav - en-ly hosts:  
heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san - na, ho -  
san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he,  
bless - ed is he, bless - ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.  
Ho - san - na, ho - san - na, ho - san - na in the high - est.

## Prayer of Thanksgiving

We give thanks to you, O God, through your dear Son, Jesus Christ, whom you sent to be our Savior, our Redeemer, and the messenger of your grace. Through him you made all things; in him you are well pleased. He is the incarnate Word, conceived by the Holy Spirit and born of the Virgin Mary. To fulfill your promises, he stretched out his hands on the cross and released from eternal death all who believe in you.

As we remember Jesus' death and resurrection, we thank you that you have gathered us together to receive your Son's body and blood. Send us your Spirit, unite us as one, and strengthen our faith so that we may praise you in your Son, Jesus Christ. Through him, we glorify and honor you, O God our Father, with the Holy Spirit, one God, 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.**

**Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

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

## Words of Institution

Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my † body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

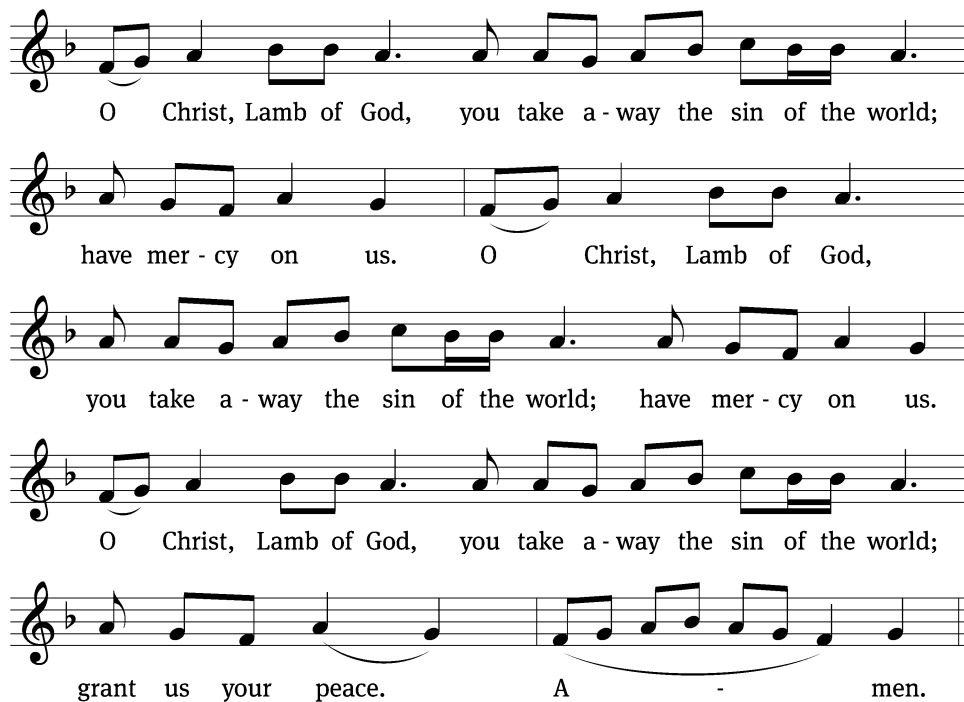
Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is my † blood of the new covenant, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**Amen.**

## O Christ, Lamb of God

CW 169



O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
have mer - cy on us. O Christ, Lamb of God,  
you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us.  
O Christ, Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world;  
grant us your peace. A - - - men.

## Distribution

*As he distributes the elements, the minister says to the communicants:*

Take and eat; this is the true body of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, given into death for your sins.

Take and drink; this is the true blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, poured out for the forgiveness of your sins.

*As he dismisses the communicants, the minister says:*

The true body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen and preserve you to life everlasting. Go † in peace.

**Amen.**

# Distribution Hymn: Your Body, Given for Me, O Savior

CW 671



1 Your bod - y, giv'n for me, O Sav - ior, your blood, which  
2 With you, Lord, I am now u - nit - ed; I live in  
3 Who can con-demn me now? For sure - ly the Lord is  
4 Tho' death may threat - en with dis - as - ter, it can - not  
5 Thus ev - 'ry pain is dis - ap - pear - ing; one taste my



you for me have shed— these are my life and strength for -  
you and you in me. In you my soul will be de -  
near, who jus - ti - fies. No hell I fear, and thus se -  
rob me of my cheer, for he who is of death the  
heart has come to know— of Je - sus and his love en -



ev - er; by them my hun - gry soul is fed.  
light - ed, as joys in - crease and sor - rows flee.  
cure - ly with Je - sus I to heav - en rise.  
mas - ter with help and strength is al - ways near.  
dear - ing, the taste that sweet - ens ev - 'ry woe.



O Je - sus, may your bod - y and your blood



be for my soul the high - est good.

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Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good;  
**his mercy endures forever.**

Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,  
**we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.**

We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this saving gift. We pray that through it you will strengthen our faith in you and increase our love for one another. We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**Amen.**

## Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and † give you peace.

**Amen.**

# Hymn: O Jesus, King Most Wonderful

CW 543



1 O Je - sus, King most won - der - ful,  
2 When once you vis - it dark - ened hearts,  
3 O Je - sus, light of all be - low,  
4 May ev - 'ry heart con - fess your name,  
5 Oh, may our tongues for - ev - er bless



O Maj - es - ty re - nowned, O Con - quer - or in -  
then truth be - gins to shine, then earth - ly van - i -  
O Fount of life and fire, sur - pass - ing all the  
for - ev - er you a - dore, en - kin - dled with the  
and hon - or you a - lone, and may we in our



vin - ci - ble, in whom all joys are found,  
ty de - parts, then kin - dles love di - vine.  
joys we know, all that we can de - sire,  
Spir - it's flame to love you more and more.  
lives ex - press the im - age of your own!

**Silent Prayer**

**Announcements**

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