THE LAST SUNDAY OF END TIMES: CHRIST THE KING

November 20, 2016

Worship Focus

THE PROMISES OF END TIME... "...you will be with me in paradise."



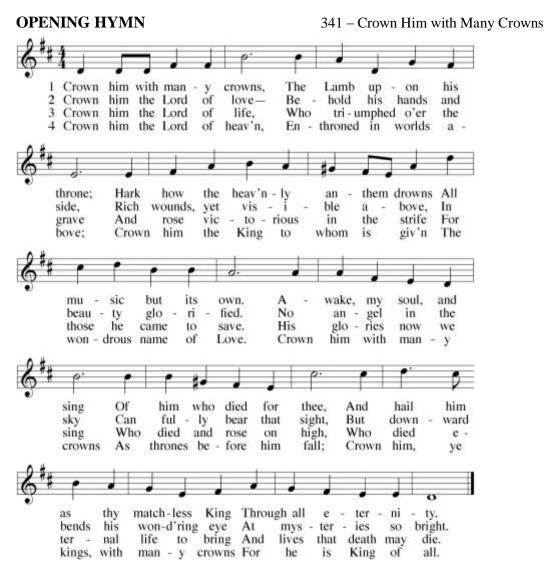
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THE ORDER OF SERVICE

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INVOCATION

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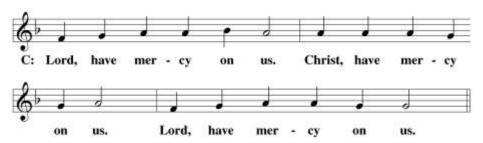
In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



Congregation

- on A men.
- M Beloved in the Lord: Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.
- C Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve Your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord have mercy on me a sinner.

LORD HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)



ABSOLUTION

M God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given His only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. 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.



M In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord:

Oh, worship the King, all-glorious above; Oh, gratefully sing his pow'r and his love, Our shield and defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor and girded with praise.

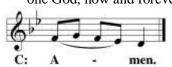
Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In you do we trust nor find you to fail. Your mercies, how tender, how firm to the end, Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend! (243:1,5)

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M The Lord be with you.



M 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.







THE WORD

FIRST LESSON Jeremiah 23:2-6

Our Shepherd-King loves each of his sheep to the point of calling us by name and leading us to safe pastures. There we will live with him in his kingdom of peace and righteousness.

JEREMIAH 23:2 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. ³ "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. ⁴ 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.

- ⁵ "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will raise up to David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land.
- 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 Righteousness.

PSALM Psalm 98



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SECOND LESSON Colossians 1:13-20

Our Savior-King has rescued us from the kingdom of darkness and brought us into his kingdom of light.

COLOSSIANS 1:13 For he has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of the Son he loves, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. ¹⁶ For by him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things were created by him and for him. ¹⁷ He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ 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. ¹⁹ For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, ²⁰ 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

VERSE OF THE DAY

O Jesus, Shepherd, Guardian, Friend, My Prophet, Priest, and King, My Lord, my Life, my Way, my End, Accept the praise I bring. (358:5)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the announcement of the Gospel the congregation responds:



GOSPEL Luke 23:35-43

Even in the midst of suffering for the sins of the world, the promise comes to the repentant heart that longs to be remembered in his kingdom: "...you will be with me in paradise."

LUKE 23:35 The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Christ of God, the Chosen One."

- ³⁶ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."
- $^{\rm 38}$ There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.
- ³⁹ One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Christ? Save yourself and us!"
- ⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."
 - ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."
 - ⁴³ Jesus answered him, "I tell you the truth, today you will be with me in paradise."

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

After the reading of the Gospel the congregation responds:



CONFESSION OF FAITH - THE NICENE CREED

C 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 fully 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.





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SERMON

Luke 23:35-43

This is Your King!

PRAISE AND PRAYER

RESPONSE TO THE WORD



FRIENDSHIP REGISTER and GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

MUSICAL OFFERTORY

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

- **M** To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power forever and ever!
- C Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory.
- **M** You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise, for you created all things and by your will they were created and have their being.
- C Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!

- M You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased us for God. From every tribe and language and people and nation, you have called us into your kingdom and have made us priests to serve you, our God and Father.
- C Help us live as royal priests.
- M We give thanks to you, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because you have searched for us and found us. Lead us to the green pastures and quiet waters of your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.
- C Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.
- M We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign. Come with your mighty power to break and defeat every evil plan and purpose of the devil, of the ungodly influences and ideas of the world, and of our own sinful nature. Use your power to calm the unrest among nations and peoples so that your kingdom may spread and grow.
- C Strengthen our confidence in knowing that your kingdom will never be destroyed.
- M O Christ our King, you have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve you more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of your saving love.
- C Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

- M Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords.
- C The Lord God Almighty reigns! Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! Amen.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

C 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.

THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE and PROPER PREFACES

M The Lord be with you.



M Lift up your hearts.



M Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M 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 (Sanctus)



WORDS OF INSTITUTION

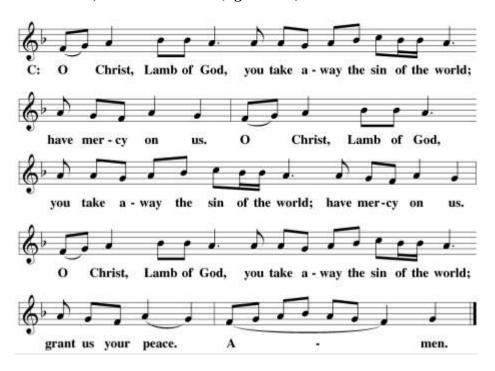
M Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me.

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."

M The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)



DISTRIBUTION

The Scriptures teach that the celebration of the Lord's Supper connects us intimately with Christ and with one another as Christians who are united around a common confession of faith. Therefore, we ask that only those who are members of Calvary or churches within our fellowship come forward to receive the Lord's Supper.

DISTRIBUTION HYMN

351 - Hail, O Once-Despised Jesus



Text: A Collection of Hymns, London, c. 1757, alt.

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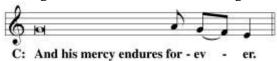
THANKSGIVING





M O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.

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PRAYER AND BLESSING

M We give thanks, almighty God, that you have refreshed us with this holy supper. 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.

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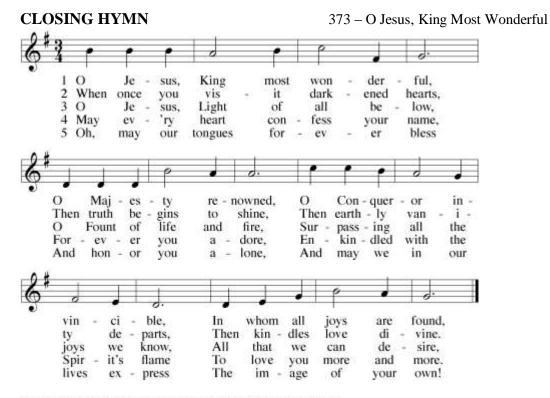


M The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.





Text: attr. Bernard of Clairvaux, 1091–1153, abr.; tr. Edward Caswall, 1814–78, alt. Tune: St. AGNES (CM) John B. Dykes, 1823–76.

After worship, please feel free to stay and greet your neighbors.



J · E · S · U · S, REMEMBER ME WHEN YOU COME INTO YOUR KINGDOM

LUKE 23:42

Advent and Christmas at Calvary

Weekend Worship during the Advent Season

Saturday evening at 6 pm and Sunday morning at 8 and 11 am All services during Advent will include the celebration of the Lord's Supper

> 1st Sunday in Advent – November 27, 2016 2nd Sunday in Advent – December 4, 2016 Third Sunday in Advent – December 11, 2016 Fourth Sunday in Advent – December 18, 2016

Wednesday Worship during the Advent Season

Soup Suppers begin at 6 pm in the fellowship hall Worship at 7 pm in the sanctuary

November 30, 2016 – Advent Lessons and Carols December 4, 2016 – Advent Worship December 14, 2016 – Advent Worship

Special Services during Advent and Christmas

Friday, December 16, 2016 – Children's Christmas Service 7 pm – Worship in the Sanctuary

Wednesday, December 21, 2016 – Christmas Concert 7 pm – in the Sanctuary

Saturday, December 24, 2016 – Christmas Eve 7 pm – Lesson and Carols

Sunday, December 25, 2016 – Christmas Day 9:30 am – Christmas Worship with Communion

Saturday, December 31, 2016 – New Year's Eve 7 pm – Worship with Communion