

Our Mission

“to serve God and share the good news of Jesus Christ”

Christ the King Sunday—Traditional Worship 9:00 a.m.

November 20, 2022

Introduction

Jeremiah’s promise of the execution of “justice and righteousness in the land” finds ironic fulfillment in the execution of Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. It appears utterly contradictory that a king should be crucified with a criminal. This victory appears for all the world as humiliating defeat. Yet through the gate of death Jesus opens the door to paradise.

Prelude

Barb Metz, cello

“Courante” (by J S Bach)

GATHERING

Welcome

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is marked at baptism.

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, \dagger one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors. We have ignored voices that call for your justice. We have neglected actions that witness to your righteousness. We have spoken and acted in ways that disrupt your beloved community. We truly repent of things we have done and left undone. For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Restore our troubled spirits, so that we may live in newness, follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ. Amen.

P: Rejoice and be glad! God hears the prayers of all who cry out, and restores us to life through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the \dagger Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Gathering Hymn

ELW # 855

“Crown Him With Many Crowns” (vs. 1, 2, 3 & 4)

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav’n-ly 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 virgin’s Son, the God incarnate born,
whose arm those crimson trophies won which now his brow adorn;
fruit of the mystic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
the root whence mercy ever flows, the babe of Bethlehem.

Crown him the Lord of love behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.

No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.

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.

Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Kyrie

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Canticle of Praise

“Glory to God in the highest ...”

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Prayer of the Day

P: Let us pray:

C: O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Children's Message

WORD

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Today's reading builds on the common, ancient Near Eastern metaphor of the king as shepherd. Judah's unjust rulers have caused their people, their "flock," to be scattered. Nevertheless, God will raise up a new and righteous shepherd who will rule a restored Judah.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God!

Special Music

Barb Metz, cello

“Prelude from the 2nd Bach Cello Suite (J S Bach)

Second Reading

Colossians 1:11-20

An early Christian hymn praises the mystery of the political, personal, and mystical Christ, the one who was present at creation and is eternally reigning with God.

L: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: Thanks be to God!

Gospel Acclamation

“Alleluia. Lord ...”

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P: The holy gospel according to

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel Reading

Luke 23:33-43

Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

Sermon

Pastor Tricia Lowe

“What Kind of King Do You Want?”

Sermon Hymn

ELW # 838

“Beautiful Savior” (all verses)

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee,
Light of my soul, my joy, my crown

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring;
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high;
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer
than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man!
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
now and forever more be thine!

Apostles' Creed

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.

Special Music

“The Gift of Love”

Pick Up Choir

Prayers of Intercession

L: United with your saints across time and place, we pray for our shared world.

A brief silence.

L: We pray for your church. Embolden denominations and faith-based organizations in creative and collaborative ministries and increase our work for the sake of the gospel. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: We pray for the earth. Protect waterways from pollution and animal habitats from destruction especially our own Colorado River. Guide us in careful stewardship of waters, plant life, and animals. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: We pray for the nations of the world. Instill in every leader's heart a desire for justice and peace. Support the work of international collaborations that seek the goals of health and joy for all people. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: We pray for all who are undermined or oppressed. Amplify the voices of the unheard and break open stubborn systems of injustice. Bring about your righteousness and fill us all with your redeeming light. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: We pray for this assembly. Guide our pastor and council members in discernment, and nurture new leaders with fresh ideas. Give this congregation a spirit of discipleship and service. Lord, in your mercy,

C: receive our prayer.

L: Please take this time to offer any other intercessions, either aloud or in your heart.

L: We give thanks for all who have died in the faith. Console us who mourn and comfort us with the beautiful promise of life in your kingdom. Accept these prayers, gracious God

C: Amen.

Offering

P: We give thanks for the offerings that we have received in the mail, online and in person this past week. These gifts make it possible for us to continue to be the church in the world. If you are worshiping with us today online and would like to make a donation, please go to our website homepage and click the online giving link.

Offering Prayer

P: Let us pray: Blessed are you, Maker of all things. As you have entrusted us with all that you have created, now gather our gifts, nourish us with this sacrament, and send us to those who hunger and thirst, for the sake of Jesus Christ our Savior.

C: Amen.

Offertory

“What Feast of Love” (vs. 1)

ELW # 487

What feast of love is offered here, what banquet come from heaven?

What food of everlasting life, what gracious gift is given?

This, this is Christ the king, the bread come down from heaven.

Oh, taste and see and sing! How sweet the manna given!

MEAL

The Great Thanksgiving (sing)

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P: The Lord be with you.

C: And also, with you.

P: Lift up your hearts.

C: We lift them to the Lord.

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Preface

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Holy, Holy, Holy (sing)

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Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory,
Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes
in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Words of Institution

P: In the night in which he was betrayed...Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

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.

Invitation to Communion

P: Christ spreads a table before you. Gather here with all the saints.

Lamb of God

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Communion Hymn

ELW # 744

“Lord, Be Glorified” (all verses)

In my life, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in my life, Lord, be glorified today.

In our song, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in our song, Lord, be glorified today.

In your church, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in your church Lord, be glorified today.

In your world, Lord, be glorified, be glorified;
in your world, Lord, be glorified today.

Communion Blessing

Prayer after Communion

P: 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.

C: Amen

SENDING

Announcements

Blessing

P: 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.

C: Amen.

Sending Hymn

ELW 439

“Soon and Very Soon” (all verses)

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the king,
soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more cry-in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more cry-in' there, we are goin' to see the King,
no more cry-in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more dy-in' there, we are goin' to see the King
no more dy-in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
no more dy-in' there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
soon and very soon we are goin' to see the King,
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude

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Barb Metz fell in love with the cello and the solo Bach suites when she was 5 years old, and she has not yet fallen out of love. In 2004, she retired from teaching at ASU, but has remained active in music through private teaching and performing with various groups. She recently relocated from Tempe to Prescott and couldn't be happier living here.

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Want to learn more about Emmanuel? Subscribe to our weekly newsletter by going to our website at www.elcpvaz.org. and scroll to the bottom for the subscription link.

Angel Tree for our three families will be up by Sunday, November 27.

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As a congregation, we pray for God's guidance on our journey of service to our membership, our community and our world. Pray for Pastor Tricia, the Church Council, and the Ministry Leadership. The church office reviews this list monthly. Please call if your prayer concern is removed earlier than you wish.

Please keep the following in your prayers during this week:

Members

*Ann Theobald
Bonnie Kain
Carol Hotten
Cheryl Miller
Helen Morton*

*Inge Scholl
Isabel Benell
Jeanne Currie Tomlinson
Kathy Austin
Kevin Miller*

*Kyle Smith
Melissa Embry
Ramona Walker
Sally Newcomb
Sue Smith*

Our Family Members in Military and Deployed

Meg Northrup Anne Northrup

Family Members and Friends

*Bill Deffenbaugh – stepfather of Kimberly Goats
Bob Renner – husband of Nancy Renner
Buel McCoy – father of Wendy Woolley
Charles Dean – great nephew of Gail Kenny
Connie – friend of Helen Morton
Connie Miller & son Trevor – friends of Carl Schulze
Jerry Oium – friends of Jackie Poling
Cris & Susie – brother & sister of Clara Farmer
Dawn Byars – stepsister of Kimberly Goats
Doug Bayle – nephew of Phyllis Pohlman
Douglas – son of Inge Scholl
Edie Hales – mother of Cheryl Miller
Ellie – granddaughter of Mary Wakimoto
Ern Woolley – father of Scott Woolley
Jack Gregory – friend of Ellen Rosfeld
John Wade – husband of Carol Wade
Franklin Camero – uncle of Wendy Woolley
Lincoln – young friend of Pastor Tricia
Lyle Gilson - son of Carol Hotten
Marie – Clara Farmer's son's mother-in-law
Marilyn Boston – cousin of Sue & Tom Smith*

*Miranda Rebholz – granddaughter of Jim & Carole Rebholz
Olivia Smelser – Nancy Renner
Paul – Kimberly Goats stepdad's brother
Rev. Paul Meier – former pastor of Larry & Sonya Mahler
Rich, Carol, daughter of Rachel & Granddaughter of Audrey,
friend of Larry & Sonya Mahler
Roger Hersey – father of Leigh Quinn
Rose Streeter – friend of Hal & Mai Vogelaar
Rosemary – neighbor of Mary Wakimoto
Rudy & Lena Juarez – friends of Julie Chisholm
Ryan Blair – great grandson of Carol Hotten
Sam Crifasi – friend of Larry Mahler
Sarah Mulligan – daughter of Carol Wade
Sheri Capek – friend of Melissa Emery
Simon – son of Jantell & Darryl Cansler
Star Campbell – friend of Bob Saul
Steven Grandy – son of Thelma Clinton
Wayne Stithem – friend of Emmanuel*

Church Office will be closed November 24 and November 25 for the Thanksgiving Holiday. **Mary** – will be on vacation November 28. Office will be staffed from 9:00 to 1:00.

SOMEONE IS IN THE CHURCH OFFICE Monday through Friday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. except Wednesdays, which are 9:00 a.m.– 1:00 p.m. Please check in at the office when you arrive so we know who is in the building. Please call 772-4135 about the building availability, if you want to use a room for Bible study, meeting, etc.

MISSION OUTREACH for the month of November is **Prescott Area Shelter Services**. We are a people who take hope seriously and believe in the innate worth of every human being, it is our job to take people where they are and help get them where they want to go. The Shelter will provide basic resources to homeless/transitional women and children of Yavapai County. Our facility will be an outreach program by connecting guests to current outside resources.

LIBERTY TRADITIONAL SCHOOL is in need of Clorox wipes that they use in each classroom. Collection box will be in the narthex for the next three weeks.

KNEE HIGHS FOR GRANDMAS - The Emmanuel Quilters would like to invite church members to join us in our Navajo Lutheran Mission outreach project, Knee Highs for Grandmas. Navajo Grandmas wear knee high socks as leg warmers in the cold, windy Rock Point, AZ winters. The quilters will be collecting knee high socks to add to our donation until the end of November. The collection bag is on our bulletin board in the fellowship hall. Knee high socks only please. Let's keep Grandma's legs warm this winter.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY Tuesday 10:00 am study is now meeting via ZOOM or in person in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Pastor Tricia for additional information.

WEDNESDAY 10:00 AM BIBLE STUDY will meet every Wednesday in the Fellowship Hall.

THURSDAY 7:00 PM BIBLE STUDY at Rebholz's. Come at 6:30 for dessert.

CHINO VALLEY BIBLE STUDY – is meeting every Thursday at 2:30 pm. They will be rotating homes so give Keith Namock a call (1-928-800-159) for further information.

INCLUSIVITY TEAM meets 1st and 3rd Mondays (starting in November) at 11:00 am in Fellowship Hall and on ZOOM. Next meeting is November 21.

CARE GIVERS - Care Givers will meet Thursday, December 1, at 11:00 am, led by Julie Pavri.

GRIEF GROUP - Grief Group meets the second and fourth Thursday of each month at 1:00 pm. Next meeting is December 8. You are welcome to attend.

COVID UPDATE - In keeping with the new CDC guidelines for masking we are recommending that everyone wear a mask as needed. Please do wear a mask if you are personally at higher risk or are protecting a high risk loved one. Please stay home if you are feeling unwell. ELC will continue with other pandemic protocols until more specific information becomes available regarding churches.

10:15 Forum - Come join us **November 20** for the interactive forum sponsored by the Inclusivity Team. Offered between services, a great “all church” activity and learning experience. Bee Sena will speak for 20 minutes about inclusive pronouns and there will be discussion and a Q & A for 20 minutes, we will be done in time for second service.

Bee Sena says - “You may have noticed that people are sharing their pronouns in introductions, on name tags, and at the beginning of meetings, etc. Why is that? Isn't it obvious? What are all the pronouns people are using these days anyway? Singular "they"...what??? What if I don't want to share my pronouns? Let's have a discussion about all this pronoun talk and get to the bottom of what's really going on.”

Amend: The Fight for America - Gary and Jean Kiser would like you to join them, Tuesday's, at 1:00 pm, for a class on the documentary “Amend: The Fight for America.” This documentary covers the legacy of the 14th Amendment to the United States constitution and explores the history of discrimination and activism for equality in the United States. The class meets in person in the Fellowship Hall. Contact Gary or Jean for more information and/or to sign up.