

*Lent 2021*

**Sir, we wish  
to SEE Jesus.**



**SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2021**

ONLINE WORSHIP — 9:30AM

DRIVE-UP COMMUNION — 11AM-12PM  
*following worship, at the church parking lot*

**Christ the King Lutheran Church**

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PRELUDE *Wondrous Cross*, by Philip Wilby

## GATHERING

### WELCOME

### CONFESSiON AND FORGIVENESS

PASTOR: Blessed be the holy Trinity,  $\dagger$  one God, the keeper of the covenant, the source of steadfast love, our rock and our redeemer.

ALL: **Amen.**

PASTOR: God hears us when we cry, and draws us close in Jesus Christ. Let us return to the one who is full of compassion

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

PASTOR: Fountain of living water,

ALL: **pour out your mercy over us. Our sin is heavy, and we long to be free. Rebuild what we have ruined and mend what we have torn. Wash us in your cleansing flood. Make us alive in the Spirit to follow in the way of Jesus, as healers and restorers of the world you so love. Amen.**

PASTOR: Beloved, God's word never fails. The promise rests on grace: by the saving love of Jesus Christ, the wisdom and power of God, your sins are  $\dagger$  forgiven, and God remembers them no more. Journey in the way of Jesus.

ALL: **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN *What Is This Place* ELW 524

What Is This Place

1 What is this place where we are meet - ing? On - ly a house, the  
 2 Words from a - far, stars that are fall - ing, sparks that are sown in  
 3 And we ac - cept bread at this ta - ble, bro - ken and shared, a

earth its floor. Walls and a roof shel - ter - ing peo - ple,  
 us like seed: names for our God, dreams, signs and won - ders  
 liv - ing sign. Here in this world, dy - ing and liv - ing,

win-dows for light, an o - pen door. Yet it be-comes a bod - y that lives  
 sent from the past are all we need. We in this place re - mem - ber and speak  
 we are each oth-er's bread and wine. This is the place where we can re - ceive

when we are gath - ered here, and know our God is near.  
 a - gain what we have heard: God's free re - deem-ing word.  
 what we need to in - crease: our jus - tice and God's peace.

Text: Huub Oosterhuis, b. 1933; tr. David Smith, b. 1933

Music: A. Valerius, *Nederlandtsch Gedenckclanck*, 1626; arr. Adrian Engels, b. 1906

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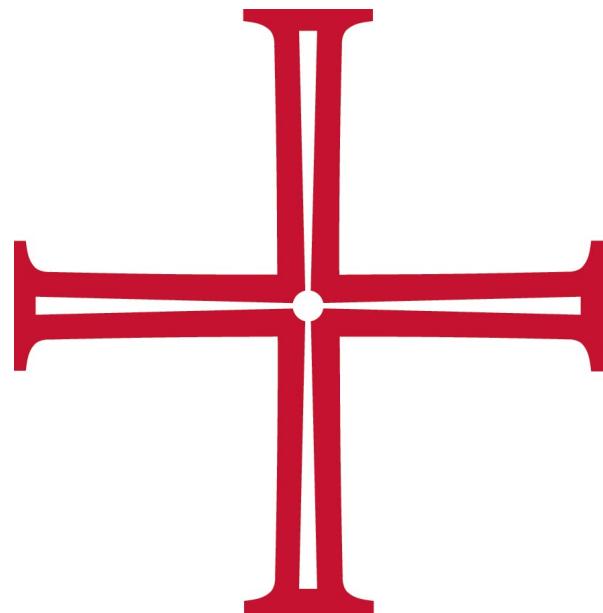
## PRAYER OF THE DAY

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

ALL: **And also with you.**

PASTOR: Let us pray together.

ALL: **Holy God, through your Son you have called us to live faithfully and act courageously. Keep us steadfast in your covenant of grace, and teach us the wisdom that comes only through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



WORD

READING I Corinthians 1:18-25

GOSPEL John 2:13-22

CHILDREN'S TIME

SERMON *Zeal for God's House*



HYMN OF THE DAY *When Christ Went to the Temple*, by Carolyn Whitney Gillet

**When Christ Went to the Temple**

LLANGLOFFAN 7.6.7.6 D ("Rejoice, Rejoice, Believers")

1 When Christ went to the Temple to wor - ship God one day,  
 2 There, cat - tle, sheep, and pig - eons were sold for sac - ri - fice,  
 3 When prayer gave way to pro - fit, and pride closed man - y doors,  
 4 O God, you love the na - tions and call us all to pray.

he en - tered through the court - yard where an - y - one could pray.  
 and mon - ey - chan - gers shout - ed of qua - li - ty and price.  
 the Lord cried out in an - ger and made a whip of cords.  
 For - give us when our wor - ship turns oth - er folk a - way.

That court was for the na-tions— and all could en - ter in.  
 Out - si - ders could not en - ter the in - ner courts for prayer.  
 He shooed the sheep and cat - tle and scat-tered pig - eons, too.  
 As Christ, in lov - ing pro - test, fought pre - ju - dice and pride,

But Je - sus found a mar - ket, a shame - ful rob - ber's den.  
 Their on - ly place to wor - ship was in the court-yard there.  
 God's house was for all peo - ple— not for a cho - sen few.  
 may we who fol - low Je - sus now wel - come all in - side.

Biblical References: Matthew 21:12–17; Mark 11:15–19; Luke 19:45–48; and John 2:13–16

Tune: Welsh Folk Melody. Evans' *Hymnau a Thonau*, 1865; as in *English Hymnal*, 1906

Alternative Tune: ANGEL'S STORY 7.6.7.6 D ("O Jesus, I Have Promised") Arthur Henry Mann, 1888

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## LENTEN LITANY

Pastor: Sir, we wish to see Jesus. We wish to see Jesus in all places of our lives.

**ALL: In the places that we build up walls, in the places where we hide from ourselves.**

Pastor: We wish to see Jesus. See Jesus in the flesh in our neighbor

**ALL: and to love our neighbor with all our hearts.**

Pastor: We long to see Jesus, even as we deny him.

**ALL: Even when we run from him. Even when we cast him out. Sir, we wish to see Jesus.**

Pastor: The time has come. Those who love their life lose it,

**ALL: and those who hate their life in this world will keep it for eternal life.**

Pastor: We wish to see Jesus. We long to see Jesus.

**ALL: The time has come. May our heart and eyes be open to see. Amen.**

OFFERING *God of Still Waiting*, by Alfred V. Fedak

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## PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

*Each prayer petition will end with: Hear us, O God.  
You are invited to respond: Your mercy is great.*

READER: We entrust ourselves and all our prayers to you, O faithful God, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

ALL: **Amen.**



# MEAL

## INTRODUCTION TO COMMUNION

### THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

PASTOR: The Lord be with you.

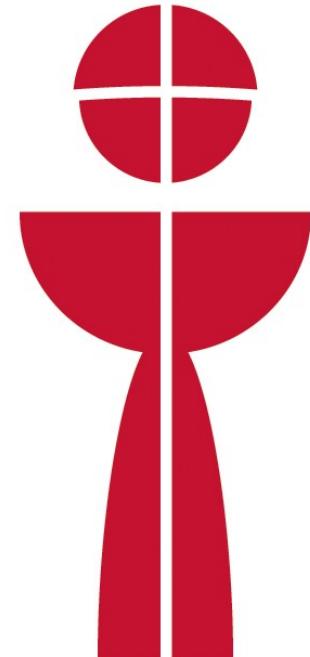
ALL: **And also with you.**

PASTOR: Lift up your hearts.

ALL: **We lift them to the Lord.**

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

ALL: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**



## PREFACE

PASTOR: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ. You call your people to cleanse their hearts and prepare with joy for the paschal feast, that renewed in the gift of baptism, we may come to the fullness of your grace. Now, as we gather for this feast from the far reaches of our lives, hold us in your promise and open us to receive the fullness of this gift of forgiveness and grace.

## WORDS OF INSTITUTION

PASTOR: Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.

**ALL: Amen.**

## THE LORD'S PRAYER

PASTOR: Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us.

**ALL: 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. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.**

## INVITATION TO COMMUNION

*You are invited to partake communion at the church parking lot at Christ the King Lutheran Church, 3 Lutheran Drive, Nashua following COVID-19 guidelines, between 11am-12pm today.*

## SENDING

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## BLESSING

PASTOR: You are what God made you to be: created in Christ Jesus for good works, chosen as holy and beloved, freed to serve your neighbor. God bless you + that you may be a blessing, in the name of the holy and life-giving Trinity.

ALL: Amen.

Let us go on our way with singing.

SENDING HYMN *All Are Welcome* ELW 641

All Are Welcome

1 Let us build a house where love can dwell and all can safe - ly  
2 Let us build a house where proph-ets speak, and words are strong and  
3 Let us build a house where love is found in wa - ter, wine and  
4 Let us build a house where hands will reach be - yond the wood and  
5 Let us build a house where all are named, their songs and vi - sions

live, a place where saints and chil - dren tell how  
true, where all God's chil - dren dare to seek to  
wheat: a ban - quet hall on ho - ly ground where  
stone to heal and strength - en, serve and teach, and  
heard and loved and trea - sured, taught and claimed as

hearts learn to for - give. Built of hopes and dreams and  
dream God's reign a - new. Here the cross shall stand as  
peace and jus - tice meet. Here the love of God, through  
live the Word they've known. Here the out - cast and the  
words with - in the Word. Built of tears and cries and

vi - sions, rock of faith and vault of grace; here the love of  
wit - ness and as sym - bol of God's grace; here as one we  
Je - sus, is re - vealed in time and space; as we share in  
strang - er bear the im - age of God's face; let us bring an  
laugh - ter, prayers of faith and songs of grace, let this house pro -

*Refrain*

Christ shall end di - vi - sions:  
claim the faith of Je - sus:  
Christ the feast that frees us: All are wel - come,  
end to fear and dan - ger:  
claim from floor to raf - ter:

all are wel - come, all are wel - come in this place.

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## DISMISSAL

PASTOR: Go in peace. Share the good news.

ALL: **Thanks be to God.**

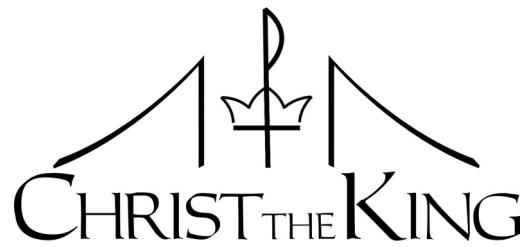
POSTLUDE *Lament of the Cross*, by Joseph M. Martin

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