

OUR FATHER'S LUTHERAN CHURCH

NOVEMBER 21, 2021



GATHERING

WELCOME & INSTRUCTIONS

Centering Prayer

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**

Silence for meditation and reflection as we prepare our hearts and minds for worship.

Confession & Forgiveness

Worship Assistant: It is written, "We know that the whole creation has been groaning together in pains of childbirth until the present time. Not only that, but we ourselves groan inwardly as we wait..." We lift up those events this week that are in need of your justice, redemption, and peace:

Pastor: We especially lift up the following events and concerns.....

Pastor: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for you alone. Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. **Amen.**

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

Gracious God,

Have mercy on us. We confess that we have turned from you and given ourselves into the power of sin. We are truly sorry and humbly repent. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things we have done and things we have failed to do. Turn us again to you, and uphold us by your Spirit, so that we may live and serve you in newness of life through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy, loved us even when we were dead in sin, and made us alive together with Christ. By grace you have been saved. In the name of + Jesus Christ, your sins are forgiven. Almighty God strengthen you with power through the Holy Spirit that Christ may live in your hearts through faith. **Amen.**

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

SONG

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name! 634

1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
 2 O seed of Is - racl's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
 3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
 4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,

bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
 hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
 the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
 go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.

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5 Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe
 on this terrestrial ball
 to him all majesty ascribe
 and crown him Lord of all.

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.

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726-1792, sts. 1-4; J. Rippon, A Selection of Hymns, 1787, sts. 5-6
 Music: Oliver Holden, 1765-1844

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WORD

Psalm 93 (Read responsively; Worship Leader will provide instruction)

- 1 The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.
- 2 Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.
- 3 The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
- 4 Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.
- 5 Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

L: The Word of the Lord. A: Thanks be to God.

THE GOSPEL

JOHN 18:33-37

L: The Gospel, according to Mark. **A: Glory to you, O Lord.**

33 Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" 34 "Is that your own idea," Jesus asked, "or did others talk to you about me?" 35 "Am I a Jew?" Pilate replied. "Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?" 36 Jesus said, "My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place." 37 "You are a king then!" said Pilate. Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me."

L: This is the gospel of our Lord. **A: Praise to you, O Christ.**

SERMON

MUSIC MINISTRY/GATHERING OF OFFERINGS

Not with us in person: There are 3 ways to give remotely: **Simply Giving**, **Breeze** or **Mailing** your offering check to OFLC, 3903 Gilbert Ave SE, Rockford, MN 55373.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

It is written, "In the same way, the Spirit helps us in our weakness. For we do not know how we ought to pray, but the Spirit intercedes for us with groans too deep for words. And the One who searches our hearts knows the mind of the Spirit, because the Spirit intercedes for the saints according to the will of God."

Let us lift up our prayers for the world, all of creation, and all people according to their need.

Worship Assistant: [reads aloud requests made by people this week. After the written prayers are read, say to the congregation]. And we offer any additional prayers, spoken aloud, or spoken in our hearts.

Pastor: Lord, you search us and know us. May our prayers rise to you so that we and all people may live, assured of your promises. **Amen.**

THE MEAL

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

L: The Lord be with you.

A: And also with you.

L: Lift up your hearts.

A: We lift them to the Lord.

L: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.

A: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

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. 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.

At OFLC, we practice an open table. What that means is all are welcome to participate in receiving communion, for it is the Lord's Table, and the grace given through these communion elements is given freely by God. In this time of COVID, we are using prepackaged communion elements. The Pastor will give instructions as we observe the Sacrament safely. If you did not pick up a communion kit or need assistance with yours, please raise your hand when directed by the Pastor and one of our Worship Coordinators will assist you.

SONG

The King Shall Come

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1 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light tri-um-phant breaks,
2 Not as of old a lit-tle child, to bear and fight and die,
3 Oh, bright-er than the ris-ing morn when Christ, vic-to-rious, rose
4 Oh, bright-er than that glo-rious morn shall dawn up-on our race
5 The King shall come when morn-ing dawns and light and beau-ty brings.

when beau-ty gilds the east-ern hills and life to joy a-wakes.
but crowned with glo-ry like the sun that lights the morn-ing sky.
and left the lone-some place of death, de-spite the rage of foes.
the day when Christ in splen-dor comes, and we shall see his face.
Hail, Christ the Lord! Your peo-ple pray: come quick-ly, King of kings.

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Music: A. Davison, *Kentucky Harmony*, 1816; arr. Theodore A. Beck, 1929-2003
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING & DISMISSAL

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord's face shine on you with grace and mercy.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace. **Amen.**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord. **A: Thanks be to God!**