



**He has
delivered us
from the
domain of
darkness and
transferred
us to the
kingdom
of his
beloved Son.**

Colossians 1:13

Christ the King
November 20, 2022

St. Paul's Lutheran Church

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Welcome and Announcements

Installation of Council

Prelude: “Partita on Diademata”

Charles Callahan

Please stand.

The Ten Commandments

The Lord is God, our God, and has brought us out of bondage to sin and death, commanding us to observe our conduct before him and our neighbor.

¹You shall have no other gods before me.

**²You shall not take the name
of the Lord your God in vain;
for the Lord will not hold guiltless
those who take his name in vain.**

**³Remember the Sabbath day
to keep it holy.**

**⁴Honor your father
and your mother,
that your days may be long
in the land which the Lord
your God is giving you.**

⁵You shall not kill.

⁶You shall not commit adultery.

⁷You shall not steal.

**⁸You shall not bear false witness
against your neighbor.**

**⁹You shall not covet
your neighbor’s house.**

**¹⁰You shall not covet your neighbor’s wife,
his workers, his livestock,
or anything that is your neighbor’s.**

Confession and Absolution

Greeting and Kyrie Eleison

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

And also with you.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.



Christ, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mer - cy up - on us.



Lord, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mer - cy up - on us.

Gloria in Excelsis

Leader:

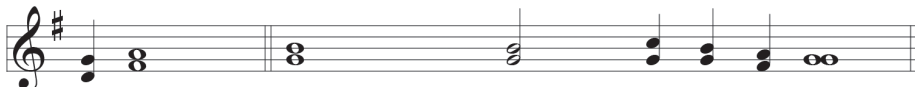


Glory be to God on high!

Congregation:



And on earth peace, good will toward all. We praise you, we bless you,



we worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory,



O Lord God, heaven - ly King, God the Father 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 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.

Salutation and Prayer of the Day

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Leader: The Lord be with you. *Congregation:* And with your spirit.

Almighty and everlasting God, you have crowned your Son as King and, by him, will renew your whole creation. May the families of the earth now torn apart and yoked by sin find liberty in him and be subjected to his gentle rule. Grant this, we pray, through the same Jesus Christ, your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
Please be seated.

A - men.

First Lesson: Malachi 3:13-18

“Your words have been arrogant against Me,” says the LORD. “Yet you say, ‘What have we spoken against You?’ You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God; and what profit is it that we have kept His charge, and that we have walked in mourning before the LORD of hosts? So now we call the arrogant blessed; not only are the doers of wickedness built up but they also test God and escape.’”

Then those who feared the LORD spoke to one another, and the LORD gave attention and heard it, and a book of remembrance was written before Him for those who fear the LORD and who esteem His name. “They will be Mine,” says the LORD of hosts, “on the day that I prepare My own possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his own son who serves him.” So you will again distinguish between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve Him.

The word of the Lord.

Psalm 95:1-7

¹Come, let us sing | to the LORD;

let us shout for joy to the Rock of | our salvation.

²**Let us come before his presence | with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to | him with psalms.**

³For the LORD | is a great God,

and a great King a- | bove all gods.

⁴**In his hand are the caverns | of the earth,
and the heights of the hills | are his also.**

⁵The sea is his, | for he made it,

and his hands have molded | the dry land.

⁶**Come, let us bow down, and | bend the knee,
and kneel before the | LORD our Maker.**

⁷For he is our God, and we are the people | of his pasture
and the sheep | of his hand.

Second Lesson: Colossians 1:13-20

For He rescued us from the domain of darkness, and transferred us to the kingdom of His beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. For by Him all things were created, both in the heavens and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things have been created through Him and for Him. He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. He is also head of the body, the church; and He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that He Himself will come to have first place in everything.

For it was the Father's good pleasure for all the fullness to dwell in Him, and through Him to reconcile all things to Himself, having made peace through the blood of His cross; through Him, I say, whether things on earth or things in heaven.

The word of the Lord.

Offering and Offertory

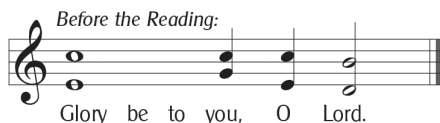
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Gospel Acclamation

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The Gospel is written in the 23rd chapter of Luke.



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Gospel: Luke 23:27-43

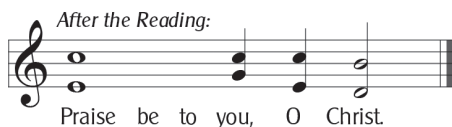
And following Him was a large crowd of the people, and of women who were mourning and lamenting Him. But Jesus turning to them said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, stop weeping for Me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, and the wombs that never bore, and the breasts that never nursed.’ Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘cover us.’ For if they do these things when the tree is green, what will happen when it is dry?”

Two others also, who were criminals, were being led away to be put to death with Him. When they came to the place called The Skull, there they crucified Him and the criminals, one on the right and the other on the left.

But Jesus was saying, “Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing.” And they cast lots, dividing up His garments among themselves. And the people stood by, looking on. And even the rulers were sneering at Him, saying, “He saved others; let Him save Himself if this is the Christ of God, His Chosen One.” The soldiers also mocked Him, coming up to Him, offering Him sour wine, and saying, “If You are the King of the Jews, save Yourself!” Now there was also an inscription above Him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there was hurling abuse at Him, saying, “Are You not the Christ? Save Yourself and us!” But the other answered, and rebuking him said, “Do you not even fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed are suffering justly, for we are receiving what we deserve for our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” And he was saying, “Jesus, remember me when You come in Your kingdom!” And He said to him, “Truly I say to you, today you shall be with Me in Paradise.”

The Gospel of the Lord.



Apostles Creed

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We confess our faith with the Apostles Creed.

**I believe in God, the Father, the Almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord.

**He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit
and born of the virgin Mary.**

**He suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried.**

He descended into hell.

On the third day he rose again.

**He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.**

He will come again to judge the living and the dead.

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Christian church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen**

Please be seated.

Children's Chat

Sermon: "Waiting for the Dawn"

Hymn: "Jesus Shall Reign"

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Prayers of the Church

Following each prayer:

Lord in your mercy, **hear our prayer.**

Into your hands, O Lord, we commend all for whom we pray,
trusting in your mercy; through your Son, Jesus Christ, our Lord.

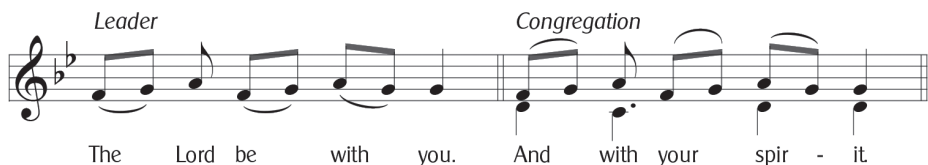
Amen

Exhortation

Preface and Sanctus

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Leader *Congregation*



The Lord be with you. And with your spir - it

Leader



Lift up your hearts.

Congregation



We lift them to the Lord.

Leader



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Congregation



It is right to give him thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and salutary that we should at all times and in all places offer thanks and praise to you, O Lord, holy Father, through Christ our Lord; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,
 Heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry, Ho - san - na
 in the high - est Bless - ed is he who comes in the
 name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est

The Lord's Prayer

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Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

Our Father, who art in heaven,

¹**hallowed be thy name,**

²**thy kingdom come,**

³**thy will be done,**

on earth as it is in heaven.

⁴**Give us this day our daily bread;**

⁵**and forgive us our trespasses,**

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

⁶**and lead us not into temptation,**

⁷**but deliver us from evil.**

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

forever and ever. Amen

Words of Institution

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

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them saying: Take, and drink of it, all of you. This cup is the new testament in my blood, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, as often as you drink it, in remembrance of me.

Agnus Dei

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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 peace. A - - - - - men.

Distribution of Communion

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Remain seated after the distribution.

The body of our Lord Jesus Christ and his precious blood strengthen and preserve you in true faith to everlasting life.

Nunc Dimittis

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Lord, now let your servant de- | part in | peace,
ac- | cording to | your | word.
For my eyes have | seen your sal- | vation,
which you have prepared before the | face of | all | people:
A light to | lighten the | Gentiles
and the | glory of your | people | Israel.
Glory | be to the | Father,
and to the | Son, and to the | Holy | Spirit,
As it | was in the be- | ginning,
is now, and ever shall be, | world without | end. | A- | men

Thanksgiving

Almighty God, you gave your Son both as a sacrifice for sin and a model of the godly life. Enable us to receive him always with thanksgiving, and to conform our lives to his; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

Benedicamus

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The musical notation for the Benedicamus section is presented in two systems. Each system features a 'Leader' part on a single staff and a 'Congregation' part on a three-staff system. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is common time (C). The first system's lyrics are 'The Lord be with you.' for the Leader and 'And with your spirit.' for the Congregation. The second system's lyrics are 'Bless the Lord.' for the Leader and 'Thanks be to God.' for the Congregation. The notation includes various note values (half notes, quarter notes, eighth notes) and rests, with a double bar line separating the two systems.

Leader: Congregation:

The Lord be with you. And with your spirit.

Leader: Congregation:

Bless the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Postlude: "Fanfare to Christ the King"

Charles Callahan

We remain seated, worshiping silently during the postlude, standing at the end of the postlude to face the processional cross, now at the rear of the sanctuary.

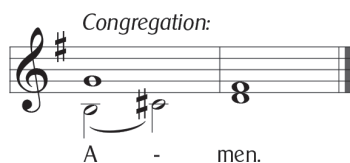
Benediction

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The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord lift his countenance upon you, and give you peace.



*The altar flowers are placed in memory of Duke and Ruth Eller
by Kay Moody, Harold Dean and Louise Eller.*

Thanksgiving

Thanksgiving Eve service will be Wednesday, November 23rd, at 7pm. We hope to see you there.

On Thanksgiving Day, November 24th, at 1pm, we will have a Thanksgiving meal for anyone who has nowhere to go or no one coming to you. Bring your favorite dish (side dish or dessert) to share. The Rymans will be roasting a number of turkeys for all to enjoy. Rolls will also be provided.

To build up our appetites, join Susan, Mark, and Wyclif at 11am for a walk on the church trails before we eat.

If you plan to be with us for Thanksgiving dinner, please call the church office, or mark the Friendship Register next to your name with "Turkey x ____" (the number in your party).

Poinsettias and Luminaries for Christmas

Poinsettias are available for purchase at \$13 per plant. **Order deadline is December 4th. Forms are in the narthex.** You may also sponsor luminaries (flip-side of form), for any amount. Luminary donations will go to the Youth Fund.

Wreaths Across America

Girl Scout Troop 743 will help place wreaths on graves at the Salisbury National Cemetery on December 17th. If you would like to pay for one or more to be placed, write "wreath" on your offering envelope. **Wreaths are \$15 each. Money is due to the organization on the 27th.** Please contact Nicole Amos with any questions. Thank you for your support in honoring our military during the Christmas season.

★ December 17, 2022 ★ National Wreaths Across America Day



Please help
Girl Scout Troop 743 by
sponsoring a wreath today to be
placed on a Veteran's grave
this December at
Salisbury National Cemetery Annex

Just scan the QR code to your right with your
smart phone camera to make a donation online or
visit wreathscrossamerica.org/NC0277



We ask everyone to **write your name in the friendship register** on your row so we will have a record of your attendance, and a record of how many people we have worshipping with us each Sunday. If you are visiting, and would like the pastor to contact you, please include your contact information.

Sunday, November 20

- New Council members installed, 10:30am
- Men's Choir practice, 5pm
- Handbell practice, 6pm
- Vespers—finger foods at 6pm; Vespers at 6:30pm are also live-streamed on our Facebook page.

Monday, November 21

- Council meeting, 6:30pm

Wednesday, November 23

- Thanksgiving Eve worship service, 7pm

Thursday, November 24

- Church office closed
- Trail hike with the Ryman, 11am
- Thanksgiving meal, 1pm

Friday, November 25

- Church office closed

Saturday, November 26

- Middle & high school youth to Binns-Counts

Sunday, November 27

- Men's Choir practice, 5pm
- Handbell practice, 6pm
- Vespers—finger foods at 6pm; Vespers at 6:30pm are also live-streamed on our Facebook page.

Rehearsals for November—Men's Choir rehearsal will be at 5pm, and handbell rehearsal will be at 6pm during November.

The church office will be closed on Thursday, November 24, and Friday, November 25, for Thanksgiving.

Special prayers for members of St. Paul’s:

- Tricia Clark – Recovering; surgical procedure
- Seth Holland – Recovering from surgery
- Jerry Hilliard – Health concerns
- Ruth Julian – Health concerns
- Chloe Monroe – Recovering; surgical procedure
- Caleb Orbison – Safe return home from Military deployment
- Teresa Peeler – Health concerns
- George Reese – Health concerns
- Amy Watson – Cancer (friend of Greg Wilhelm)
- Leilani Watson – Recovering from surgery
- Jane Wilhelm – Health concerns

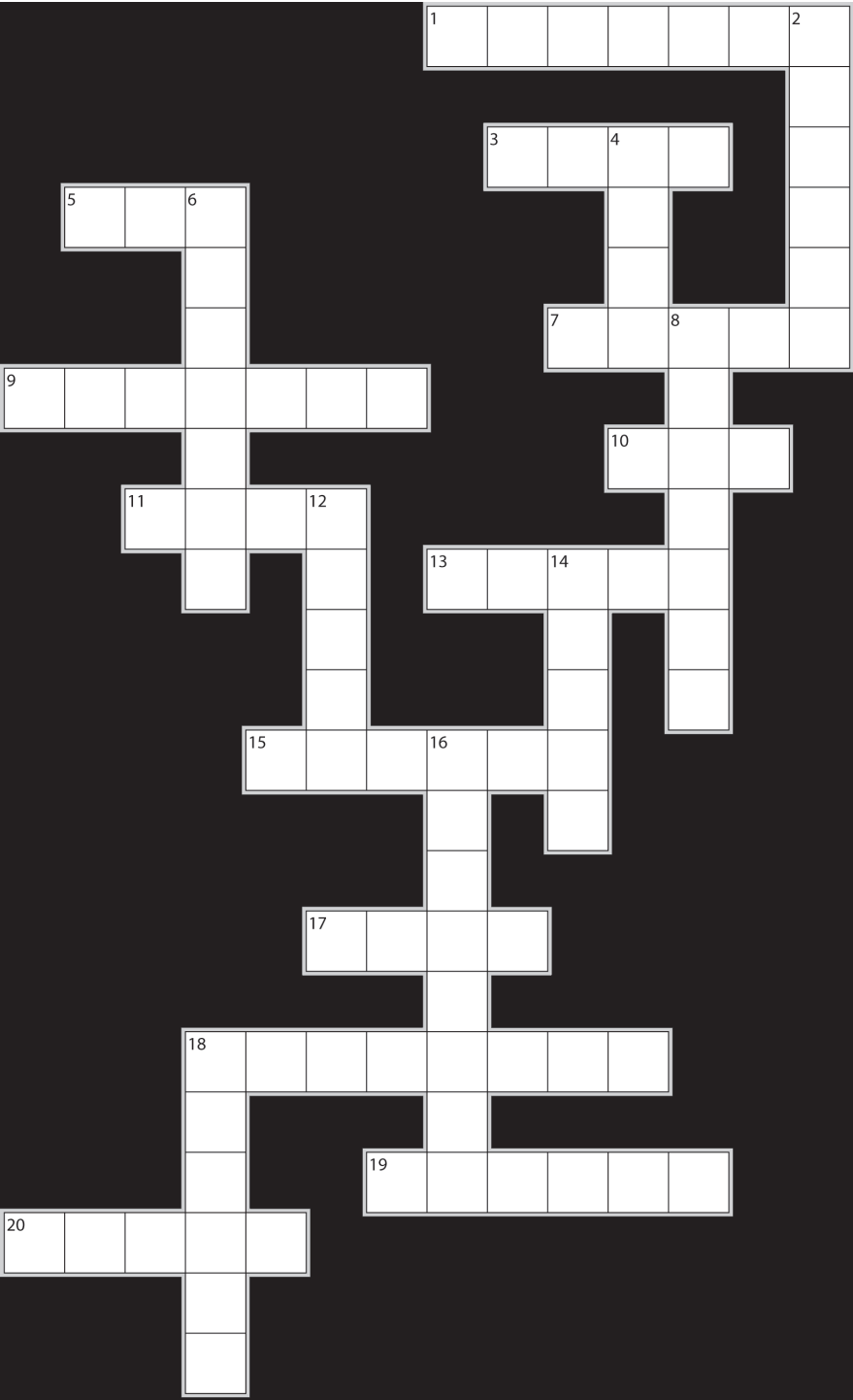
Please see the monthly Epistle for a complete list of prayer needs for members, homebound, family, and friends.

Stewardship

General Fund Offering (11/13).....	\$13,591
Other Offering(11/13)	\$6,096
Sunday School Attendance (11/13)	73

*This does not reflect exact attendance as **not everyone signs the registers, and not all Sunday school classes turn in attendance slips.***

Worship Attendance (11/13)	175
General Fund YTD Receipts as of 11/13..	\$363,653
General Fund YTD Budget as of 11/13	\$408,873



Two Year Daily Lectionary

Pentecost 24, Year 2

Sunday – Jonah 1:1–17a; 1 Corinthians 10:15–24; Matthew 18:15–20

Monday – Jonah 1:17–2:10; Revelation 11:1–14; Luke 11:14–26

Tuesday – Jonah 3:1–4:11; Revelation 11:14–19; Luke 11:27–36

Wednesday – Nahum 1:1–14; Revelation 12:1–6; Luke 11:37–52

Thursday – Nahum 1:15–2:12; Revelation 12:7–17; Luke 11:53–12:12

Friday – Nahum 2:13–3:7; Revelation 13:1–10; Luke 12:13–31

Saturday – Nahum 3:8–19; Revelation 13:11–18; Luke 12:32–48

ACROSS

1. Do not be this about your life. (Luke 12:13–31)
3. What spoke like a dragon? (Revelation 13:11–18)
5. What the woman was clothed with (Revelation 12:1–6)
7. Where your treasure is will be your... (Luke 12:32–48)
9. How long will the Lord's reign last? (Revelation 11:14–19)
10. The fortresses were like these trees. (Nahum 3:8–19)
11. Blessed are those who do this with the Word. (Luke 11:27–36)
13. What was rising from the sea? (Revelation 13:1–10)
15. What was John told to measure? (Revelation 11:1–14)
17. Satan is conquered with blood and... (Revelation 12:7–17)
18. What cup is a participation in the blood of Christ?
(1 Corinthians 10:15–24)
19. If you bind it on earth, it is bound here too. (Matthew 18:15–20)
20. The belly of the fish seemed like... (Jonah 1:17–2:10)

DOWN

2. Who will teach you what to say? (Luke 11:53–12:12)
4. The demon was... (Luke 11:14–26)
6. What people believed God? (Jonah 3:1–4:11)
8. The father of Jonah (Jonah 1:1–17a)
12. The messenger published this news about the end of the war.
(Nahum 1:15–2:12)
14. The Lord is slow about this. (Nahum 1:1–14)
16. Who wanted Jesus to eat with him? (Luke 11:37–52)
18. Woe to this city. (Nahum 2:13–3:7)



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Next Sunday's Lessons: Isaiah 2:1–5; Psalm 122:1–9; Romans 13:8–14; Matthew 24:36–44

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