

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY—NOVEMBER 21, 2021

A MOMENT OF SABBATH REFLECTION Hymn Learning



1 The trum - pets sound, the an - gels sing, the feast is
2 Ta - bles are la - den with good things; oh, taste the
3 The hun - gry heart he sat - is - fies, of - fers the



read - y to be - gin. The gates of heav'n are o - pen wide,
peace and joy he brings. He'll fill you up with love di - vine;
poor his par - a - dise. Now hear all heav'n and earth ap - plaud



and Je - sus wel - comes you in - side.
he'll turn your wa - ter in - to wine.
the a - maz - ing good - ness of the Lord.



Sing with thank - ful - ness songs of pure de - light.



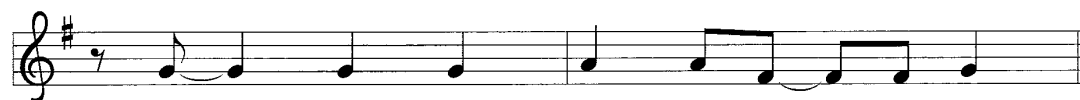
Come and rev - el in heav - en's love and light.



Take your place at the ta - ble of the King.



The feast is read - y to be - gin;



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THE FEAST IS READY

LM and refrain

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

***INVOCATION**

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

Amen.

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

Silence is kept for reflection.

Have mercy on us, O God.

**We confess that we have sinned against you
and against our neighbor.**

**We have built walls instead of tables
and have turned away the stranger.**

**We have sought glory for ourselves
and have treasured that which does not satisfy.**

**Help us to love as you love,
to welcome those you send,
and to treasure mercy and justice.**

**Turn us from our ways to your ways,
and free us to serve those in need. Amen.**

God, who makes all things new,
forgives your sins for ✝ Jesus' sake
and remembers them no more.

Lift up your heads and your hearts.

Yours is the kingdom of God.

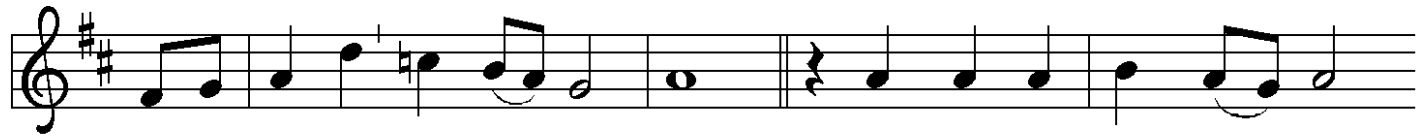
Amen.

***HYMN OF PRAISE** "This is the Feast"

Refrain



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia,



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb

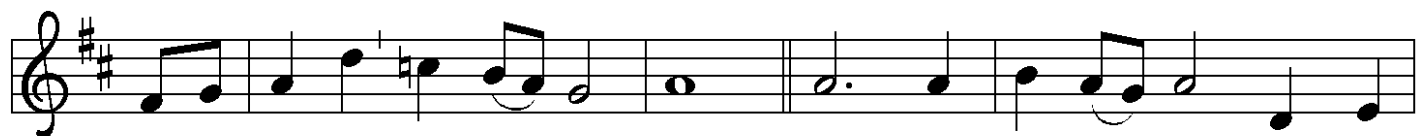


who was slain, whose blood set us free to be peo - ple of God.

Refrain



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al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 2 Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and

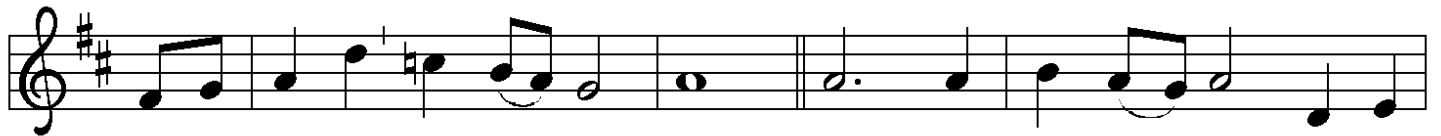


strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



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al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 3 Sing with all the peo - ple of



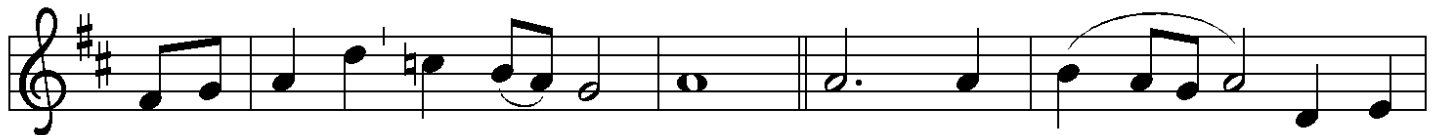
God, and join in the hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or,



glo - ry, and might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



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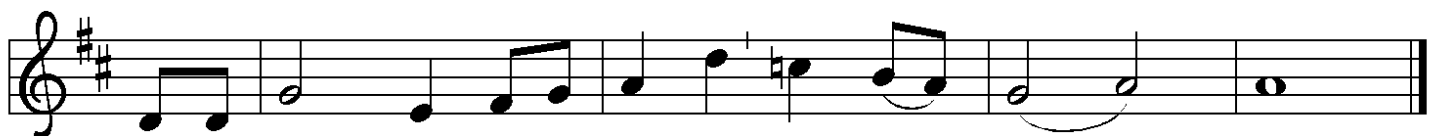
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. 4 For the Lamb who was



slain has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia.



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God.



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you

Let us pray. 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.

CHILDREN'S HOMILY

READING Revelation 1:4b-8

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;

every eye will see him,

even those who pierced him;

and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

TEACHING MOMENT

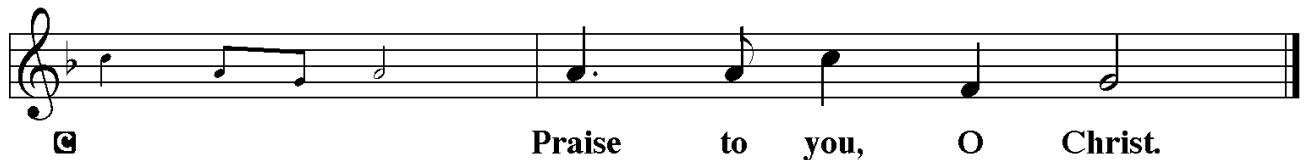
***GOSPEL John 18:33-37**

The holy gospel according to St. John, the 18th chapter.



³³Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The gospel of the Lord.



HOMILY "A Different Kind of King"

Pastor Dave Helfrich

***SONG OF THE DAY** This Is My Father's World

ELW # 824

Text: Maltbie D. Babcock, 1858-1901

**This is my Father's world,
and to my list'ning ears
all nature sings, and round me rings
the music of the spheres.**

**This is my Father's world;
I rest me in the thought
of rocks and trees, of skies and seas;
his hand the wonders wrought.**

**This is my Father's world;
the birds their carols raise;
the morning light, the lily white,
declare their maker's praise.**

**This is my Father's world;
he shines in all that's fair.
In the rustling grass I hear him pass;
he speaks to me ev'rywhere.**

**This is my Father's world;
oh, let me not forget
that, though the wrong seems oft so strong,
God is the ruler yet.**

**This is my Father's world;
why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is king, let heaven ring;
God reigns, let earth be glad!**

***APOSTLES' CREED**

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**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.**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world.
Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

A brief silence.

God, you sent your Son Jesus to testify to the truth. We pray for preachers, missionaries, evangelists, and teachers who carry your forgiveness and love to the world. Fill their words and actions with compassion and kindness so that your truth

will shine.

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God, you sent your Son Jesus to lead us into the way of peace. Direct the members of international alliances in choosing a nonviolent path toward the future. Give them the humility and wisdom to make just decisions to benefit all.

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God, you sent your Son Jesus to rule in all times and places. We pray for the friends of our congregation who are unable to join our worship in person and for all who are sick and suffering in mind, body, or spirit. Join their prayers with ours and unite them with us in the body of Christ.

God, in your mercy,
hear our prayer.

God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray. Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

***EXCHANGE OF PEACE**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you.

MUSICAL OFFERING

“Come My Savior, Come My King” – Stan Pethel

*Come my Savior, come, my King,
Come, O light, to You we sing
Songs of adoration true;
Come, my Savior, make us new.
Come in mercy, come in might,
bathed in truth and holy light.
Bringing life in fullest flow
that the world Your love may know.
Crowned with glory like the sun,
Heaven's joy to us has come.
Break the silence, raise the strain;
Christ the Lord has come to reign.
Come in mercy, come in might,*

*bathed in truth and holy light.
Bringing life in fullest flow
that the world Your love may know.*

*Come my Savior, come, my King,
Come, O light, to You we sing
Songs of adoration true;
Come, my Savior, make us new.*

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that the world Your love may know.*

*Come my Savior, come, my King,
Come my Savior, come, my King,*

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING**

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

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,
for the glorious resurrection of our Savior Jesus Christ;
who, enthroned forever at your right hand,
intercedes for us as our great high priest.

And so, with Mary Magdalene and Peter and all the witnesses of the resurrection,
with earth and sea and all their creatures,
and with angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,
we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,



heav-en and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho - san - na. Ho -



san-na. 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.

*WORDS OF INSTITUTION

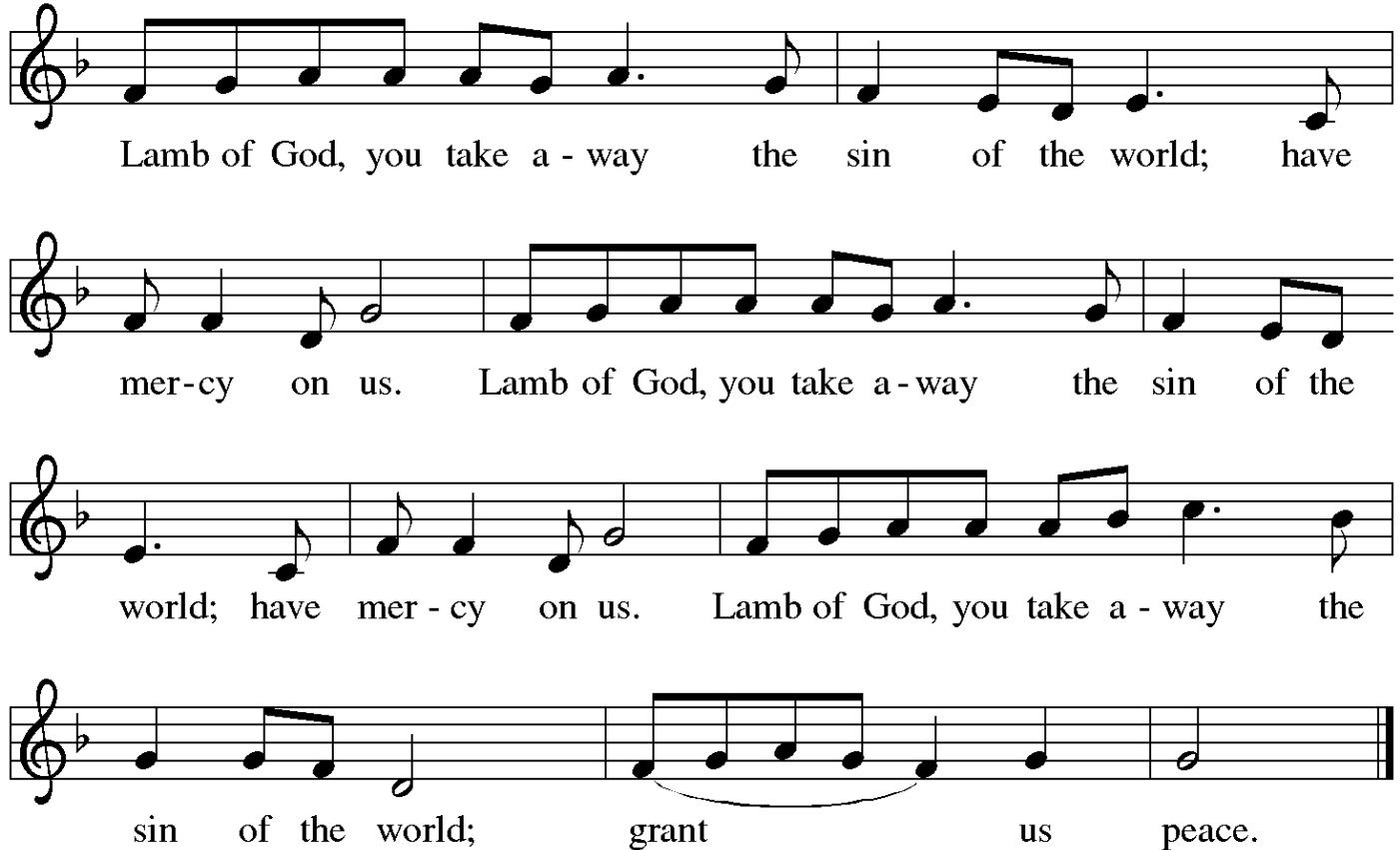
*LORD'S PRAYER

Let us pray with confidence in the words our Savior gave us:

**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**

LAMB OF GOD



Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have
mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the
world; have mer - cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a - way the
sin of the world; grant us peace.

HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION SONGS

“The Trumpet Sounds, the Angels Sing”

ELW # 531

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**The trumpets sound, the angels sing,
The feast is ready to begin.
The gates of heav'n are open wide,
And Jesus welcomes you inside.**

**Sing with thankfulness
Songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in
Heaven's love and light.**

**Take your place at the
Table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin;
The feast is ready to begin.**

**Tables are laden with good things;
O taste the peace and joy He brings.
He'll fill you up with love divine;
He'll turn your water into wine.**

**Sing with thankfulness
Songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in
Heaven's love and light.**

**Take your place at the
Table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin;
The feast is ready to begin.**

**The hungry heart He satisfies,
Offers the poor His paradise.
Now hear all heaven and earth applaud
The amazing goodness of the Lord**

**Sing with thankfulness
Songs of pure delight.
Come and revel in
Heaven's love and light.**

**Take your place at the
Table of the King.
The feast is ready to begin;
The feast is ready to begin.**

“Beautiful Savior”

ELW # 838

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**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 forevermore be thine!**

“O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us”

ELW # 431

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**O Christ, what can it mean for us
to claim you as our king?
What royal face have you revealed
whose praise the church would sing?**

**Aspiring not to glory's height,
to power, wealth, and fame,
you walked a diff'rent, lowly way,
another's will your aim.**

You came, the image of our God,
to heal and to forgive,
to shed your blood for sinners' sake
that we might rise and live.

To break the law of death you came,
the law of love to bring:
a different rule of righteousness,
a different kind of king.

Though some would make their greatness felt
and lord it over all,
you said the first must be the last
and service be our call.

O Christ in workplace, church, and home,
let none to power cling;
for still, through us, you come to serve,
a different kind of king.

You chose a humble human form
and shunned the world's renown;
you died for us upon a cross
with thorns your only crown.

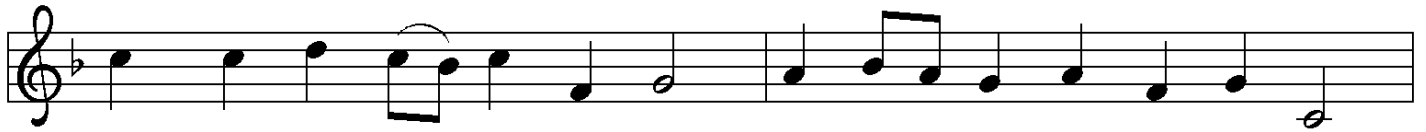
But still, beyond the span of years,
our glad hosannas ring,
for now at God's right hand you reign,
a different kind of king!

***COMMUNION BLESSING**

The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ
strengthen you and keep you in His grace.

Amen.

CANTICLE



Thank-ful hearts and voic - es raise; tell ev-'ry-one what God has done.



Let all who seek the Lord re - joice and bear Christ's ho - ly name.



Send us with your prom - is - es and lead your peo - ple forth in joy with



shouts of thanks - giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

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*SENDING PRAYER

*BENEDICTION

The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace.

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

Amen.

*DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

POSTLUDE

“Now Thank We All Our God”

–Sigfried Karg-Elert



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