



*"I am the Alpha and the Omega,
the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."*

Revelation 22:13

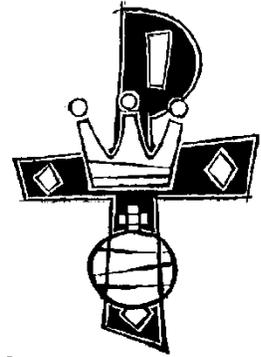
WELCOME

Good morning and welcome to worship at Faith Lutheran!

We have come to the end of another year –not on the calendar, but the Christian church year. The fourth Sunday of End Time, the last Sunday of the church year, emphasizes the Christian’s ultimate and final status. In Christ, we have an eternal king who will save and protect us into eternity. We long for and look forward to his return to reign, for that glorious day will usher in our time in the kingdom of paradise he has prepared for us.

Christ the King Sunday offers us another opportunity to praise Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, who reigns supreme on the throne of heaven eternally. The truths we hear together from his Word today fill us with eager expectation for the kingdom of heaven and with necessary encouragement for our walk together through these last days – the end times for our world!

It is our privilege to worship with you. Please come and worship again with us very soon.



OUR FACILITIES

Our restrooms are located just to the left of the tower entrance. A family restroom is also available there. The members of Faith believe that families should be allowed to worship together. If your young one needs some “time out,” we have an audio-equipped children’s room just outside of the church doors to your right. If you need anything during the service, please feel free to ask an usher.

LISTENING ASSISTANCE & LARGE PRINT MATERIALS



Large print service folders and hearing assistance devices are available from an usher at your request. Our sanctuary is equipped with a hearing assist T-loop. If your hearing assist device is T-coil equipped you may switch to T-coil so sound can be transmitted directly to your hearing assist device.

PREPARATION FOR WORSHIP

O Holy Spirit, as I worship today come to me with your comforting Word, which alone can drive away my doubts. Direct me to my Savior, Jesus, that I may trust in him with my whole heart. Give me a faith that dares to come to him, trusting only in his love. Then grow in me a love that accepts others, as I have been accepted by my heavenly Father, that we might offer our united praise to your eternal glory. Amen.



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Fourth Sunday of End Time

Christ the King

November 21-22, 2020

JESUS REIGNS! Savior King & King of kings!

COVID 19 ACCOMMODATIONS – Following the research and recommendations currently available Faith worship leaders are choosing to significantly reduce the total amount of singing by the entire assembly during the course of each service and also abbreviate our time gathered together. Worship as we've known it and prefer it will return in its full vibrancy when the pandemic is over.

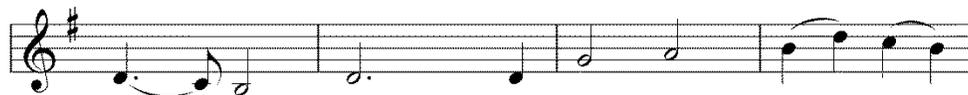
OPENING HYMN

“Lo, He Comes with Clouds Descending”

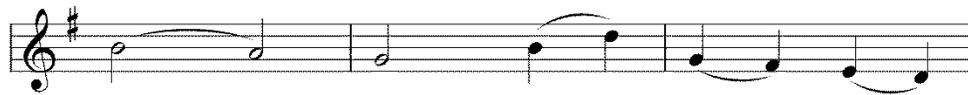
Christian Worship: Supplement # 704:1-3



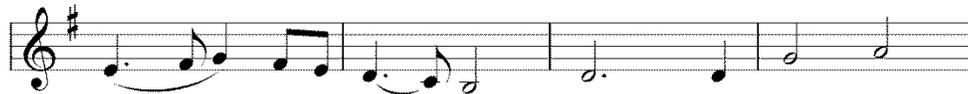
1 Lo, he comes with clouds de -
2 Ev - 'ry eye shall now be -
3 Those dear to - kens of his
4 Yea, A - men, let all a -



scend - ing, Once for ev - 'ry sin - ner
hold him Robed in glo - rious maj - es -
pas - sion Still his daz - zling bod - y
dore you High on your e - ter - nal



slain. Thou - sand, thou - sand
ty; Those who ri - di -
bears, Cause of end - less
throne. Ev - 'ry knee shall



saints at - tend - ing Swell the tri - umph
culed and sold him, Pierced and nailed him
ex - ul - ta - tion To his ran - somed
bow be - fore you; Come and take your

of his train. Al - le - lu - ia!
to the tree, Deep - ly wail - ing,
wor - ship - ers. With what won - der,
peo - ple home! Al - le - lu - ia!

Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!
Deep - ly wail - ing, Deep - ly wail - ing,
With what won - der, With what won - der,
Al - le - lu - ia! Al - le - lu - ia!

Christ re - veals his end - less reign.
Shall the true Mes - si - ah see.
Gaze we on those glo - rious scars.
You shall reign and you a - lone!

Stand

Presiding Minister [M]: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ (+) and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

Congregation [C]: And also with you.

CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

PRAYER AND PRAISE

M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord!
Lo, He Comes (v.4 – also printed with music above)

**C: Yea, Amen, let all adore you High on your eternal throne.
Ev'ry knee shall bow before you; Come and take your people home!
Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!
You shall reign and you alone!**

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

Be Seated

THE WORD OF GOD

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 23-24

The prophet Ezekiel foretells the Son of David, our Lord Jesus Christ, who would be the perfect, eternal Shepherd-King.

¹¹For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. ¹²As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. ¹³I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. ¹⁴I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. ¹⁵I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD. ¹⁶I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.

²³I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. ²⁴The LORD will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the LORD have spoken.

PSALM OF THE DAY

Psalm 47 (Christian Worship: Supplement)

***Refrain:* God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.**

Clap your hands, all you nations;
shout to God with cries of joy.

How awesome is the LORD Most High,
the great King over all the earth!

God reigns over the nations;
God is seated on his holy throne.

Refrain: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

God has ascended amid shouts of joy,
the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.

Sing praises to God, sing praises;
sing praises to our King, sing praises.

For God is the King of all the earth;
sing to him a psalm of praise.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning, is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

Refrain: God has gone up with a shout, the Lord with the sound of the trumpet.

NEW TESTAMENT EPISTLE LESSON

1 Corinthians 15:20-28

The resurrection of Christ guarantees that all the dead will also rise on the Last Day to be with him as he reigns over all things.

²⁰But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. ²¹For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. ²²For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. ²³But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. ²⁴Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. ²⁵For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. ²⁶The last enemy to be destroyed is death. ²⁷For he “has put everything under his feet.” Now when it says that “everything” has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. ²⁸When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

VERSE OF THE DAY

Revelation 22:13

C: Alleluia. Alleluia!

M: I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.

C: Alleluia.

Please stand out of respect for the words and works of Christ.

GOSPEL

St. Matthew 27:27-31

Unlike any other king who has ever ruled on this earth our Savior King conquers by allowing himself to be conquered.

²⁷Then the governor’s soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. ²⁸They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, ²⁹and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. “Hail, king of the Jews!” they said. ³⁰They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head

again and again. ³¹After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

M: The Gospel of the Lord!

C: Praise to you, O Christ!

Be seated

SERMON HYMN

“All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name”

Christian Worship # 370



1 All hail the pow’r of Je - sus’ name! Let an - gels
2 Hail him, ye heirs of Da - vid’s line, Whom Da - vid
3 Sin - ners whose love can ne’er for - get The worm - wood
4 Let ev - ’ry kin - dred, ev - ’ry tribe On this ter -
5 Oh, that with yon - der sa - cred thron We at his



pros - trate fall; Bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem And
Lord did call, The God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, And
and the gall, Go, spread your tro - phies at his feet And
res - trial ball To him all maj - es - ty as - crite And
feet may fall! We’ll join the ev - er - last - ing song And



crown him Lord of all. Bring forth the roy - al
crown him Lord of all. The God in - car - nate,
crown him Lord of all. Go, spread your tro - phies
crown him Lord of all. To him all maj - es -
crown him Lord of all. We’ll join the ev - er -



di - a - dem And crown him Lord of all.
Man di - vine, And crown him Lord of all.
at his feet And crown him Lord of all.
ty as - crite And crown him Lord of all.
last - ing song And crown him Lord of all.

SERMON

based upon the Gospel
Pastor Greg Hermanson

Jesus, the King of All Creation

+ Dies to save us +
+ Rises and rules us +

Stand

APOSTLES' CREED

C: I believe in God, the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell.

The third day he rose again from the dead.

He ascended into heaven

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there he will come 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.

Be seated

OFFERTORY *(a musical piece played during the gathering of the offering)* & OFFERING PRAYER

During the Covid crisis our preference is to gather our offerings electronically or through the mail but for those who do choose to bring offerings with them to worship there is a large offering basket at the main worship area doors for you to drop in your offerings later as you are dismissed from worship.

If you are not a member of Faith, we do not want you to feel obligated to participate in the offering. (God desires cheerful givers - not gifts based on a sense of guilt or obligation.) We gather our offerings during worship, because the Bible teaches that giving is *an act of worship*. Most of our church and school ministry is carried out by what is given in weekly worship offerings. May the Lord bless you, and may he use every one of our offerings to him as a blessing to many others.

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

You Are My King (Amazing Love)

*I'm forgiven because you were forsaken
I'm accepted you were condemned
I'm alive and well your Spirit is within me
Because you died and rose again*

*Amazing love how can it be
That you my King would die for me
Amazing love I know it's true
It's my joy to honor you
In all I do I honor you*

*You are my King
Jesus you are my King*

Stand

**C: Forgiven, free of guilt and shame, grant me some time to render
A gift to glorify your name, love to reflect your splendor:
This world must know what I have learned,
That you bestow what none have earned:
The joy of full forgiveness! Amen.**

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH & INTERCESSORY PRAYERS

M: To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power for ever and ever!

C: Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory.

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise, for you created all things and by your will they were created and have their being.

C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!

M: You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased us for God. From every tribe, language, people and nation, you have called us into your kingdom and have made us priests to serve you, our God and Father.

C: Help us live as royal priests.

M: We give thanks to you, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because you have searched for us and found us. Lead us to the green pastures and quiet waters of your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.

C: Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.

M: We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign. Come with your mighty power to break and defeat every evil plan and purpose of the devil, of the ungodly influences and ideas of the world and of our own sinful nature. Use your power to calm the unrest among nations and peoples so that your kingdom may spread and grow.

C: Strengthen our confidence in knowing that your kingdom will never be destroyed.

M: O Christ our King, you have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve you more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of your saving love.

C: Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Special prayers and intercessions may be inserted here.

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M: Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords.

C: The Lord God Almighty reigns! Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

C: 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.
 Lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
 For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours now and forever. Amen.

Be seated

HYMN OF THE DAY

“The Head that Once Was Crowned with Thorns”
Christian Worship # 217:1-4

Stand

PRAYER & BENEDICTION

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C: Amen.

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness. The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

C: Amen.

CLOSING HYMN

“Lord, When Your Glory I Shall See”

Christian Worship # 219

Lord, when your glo - ry I shall see And taste your king-dom's
plea - sure, Your blood my roy - al robe shall be, My
joy be - yond all mea - sure! When I ap - pear be - fore your
throne, Your right - eous - ness shall be my crown; With
these I need not hide me. And there, in gar - ments rich - ly
wrought, As your own bride I shall be brought To
stand in joy be - side you.

If you are new to Faith and have not yet introduced yourself to one of our pastors, please feel free to do so after any worship service. If you would like to receive updates or more information, visit faithantioch.org and click on Contact Us.

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Thanksgiving Worship

November also offers us opportunity to gather for special Thanksgiving services. Unlike most special worship occasions during the church year, this festival does not have its roots in church, but secular history.

Though Thanksgiving festivals during harvest season were common throughout Europe and the Americas before the pilgrims, their celebration of the occasion in 1621 marks the traditional origin of the modern American observance. Not until 1941, however, did President Franklin D. Roosevelt sign a bill making Thanksgiving a US national holiday.

Despite secular origins, Thanksgiving affords Christians a wonderful opportunity to give thanks to God for his rich and abundant blessings. Indeed, the tradition of an annual remembrance of God's goodness during the time of harvest is not without scriptural precedent. Old-Testament believers, in fact, observed two such annual festivals. The Feast of the Harvest afforded believers the opportunity to offer God their first-fruits at the beginning of the wheat harvest. The Feast of Ingathering was celebrated as the people brought in the harvest from orchard and vineyard. Both observances taught Israelites to see every good gift as coming down from their heavenly Father and respond with thanksgiving.

“Enter the LORD’s gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise; give thanks to him and praise his name. For the LORD is good and his love endures forever,” the psalmist instructs believers. Indeed, the believer’s heart exudes thanksgiving to God at every opportunity! Not only do we enjoy bountiful earthly blessings as a nation and people, but more importantly, we reap immeasurable spiritual blessing through the work of our Savior, Jesus Christ. Please join us this Thanksgiving to rejoice in and give thanks to our good and gracious God.

Thanksgiving Worship Opportunities at Faith

Wednesday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m.

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Thursday, November 26 at 9:00 a.m.

Advent Worship

As you step into the sanctuary for the first time next Sunday, you will notice a new color of paraments and banners adorning the chancel: the color blue. Blue is the liturgical color of hope. It represents the hope believers have as they look up to the blue sky in expectation of the fulfillment of the angel’s promise to the disciples after Jesus’ ascension: *“This same Jesus, who has been taken from you into heaven, will come back in the same way you have seen him go into heaven.”*

Blue is the color of the season of Advent. “Advent” is an English descendant of a Latin word that simply means “coming.” During this season, the Christian church eagerly awaits the coming of Christ. Christians recognize Christ’s coming as threefold. During Advent, we anticipate his coming in the flesh, and so the season naturally precedes the celebration of Christmas. In addition, however, Christians also recognize during Advent the coming of Christ to us in Word and sacrament, and finally his second coming in judgment.

As Christians prepare their hearts for this threefold coming of Christ, our services naturally take a tone of preparation and expectation. As Christians look forward to their coming Savior, we heed John the Baptist’s call to repentance. In a world strained and hurried by a commercialized holiday season, Christians seek out moments of quiet reflection to find peace in the coming of the One first promised so long ago.

In addition to regular Sunday worship, our Faith family enjoys special opportunities to prepare our hearts for this joyous occasion of Christ’s coming. Please join us for our midweek Vespers services, times of quiet prayer and reflection as we await our Lord. We hope to see you there!



Midweek Advent Worship

Wednesdays December 2, 9 & 16 at 3:30 & 7:00 PM