



Celebrate

Planting Faith ~ Nurturing Hope ~ Sharing God's Love

Christ the King Sunday Contemporary Worship Service
Sunday, November 23 ~ 8:45am



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GATHERING

Gathering Song – “All Are Welcome,” Hans Peterson and Larry Olson

(Chorus) **All are welcome friend and stranger
At the banquet of the Savior
All are welcome All are welcome here**

**1. From the woman who comes crying
Leaving tears at Jesus’ feet
To the man who knows
the right way but cannot see *(chorus)***

**2. From the ones who feel forgotten
Those who sense their place is gone
To the ones who live in hunger
here you belong *(chorus)***

**3. Go into the streets and cities
To the farms and families
Tell about the splendid table
God’s mercy *(chorus)***

(Ending) **Welcome here, Welcome here**

Welcome

+Call to Worship

Come to worship Jesus Christ, Alpha and Omega,
the one who is, who was, and is to come.
We come to worship the one who rules justly.

Come to worship Jesus Christ, the faithful witness
The firstborn of the dead,
The ruler of the kings of the earth!
Bread of Heaven, God with us!

Good Shepherd, True Vine!
Eternal Word, Great I AM

Wonderful Counselor, Prince of Peace!
We come to worship Jesus Christ, King of kings and Lord of lords!
To him be glory and dominion forever and ever! Amen.

+Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, ✝ one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

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

Faithful God,
**you have shown us the ways of your heart,
yet we stray from your paths.**
**We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression
and do not embrace the freedom
of your faithful promises.**
We ignore our neighbors.
We exploit the earth.
**We reject your abundance,
trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love.**
**Repair our relationships,
restore what we have broken,
renew our hearts,
and bring us to new life.**
Amen.

Hear the good news:
God the Faithful One loves you,
✝ in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven,
and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free.
Amen.

+Prayer of the Day

+Song of Praise – “What an Awesome God,” Jonathan Smith, Phil Wickham, Richard Mullins

**1. God is great give Him all the praise
Hallelujah Name above all Names
Fire in His eyes healing in His veins
Everywhere His glory on display**

**Take a look at those stars He can name them all
Before His throne every knee falls
The demons have to run the angels have to praise
Even the wind and waves obey**

(Chorus 1) **Our God is an awesome God
He reigns from heaven above
With wisdom power and love
Our God is an awesome God**

**2. And even when I ran He didn't run away
He came and put death back in its place
Friday on a cross broken for my shame
Sunday morning rose up from that grave**

**Take a look at those scars on His hands and feet
He saved our souls for eternity
Worthy is the Lamb glory to the King
Oh let all the saints and the angels sing *(chorus 1)***

**3. Eyes on the sky there will be a day
He will come and wipe our tears away
No more fear no more pain
No more sorrow sin or shame**

**The King is coming back again
A reign of love that will never end
For everything You've done and everything You do
And everything You are I'll sing to You
(Chorus 2) **My God You're an awesome God****

**You're great in all You do
I'm made to worship You
My God You're an awesome God (*chorus 1 twice*)**

**(Ending) Our God is an awesome God
Our God what an awesome God**

WORD

+Gospel Reading– Luke 23:33-43

**This is the Good News.
We praise you Lord Jesus.**

Welcome New Members

Homily – Pastor Greg

Song of the Day – “God Is Here!”

**(Chorus) God is here, God is here
God is here, God is here**

**1. God is here as we your people
Meet to offer praise and prayer
May we find in fuller measure
What it is in Christ we share
Here as in the world around us
All our varied skills and arts
Wait the coming of the Spirit
Into open minds and hearts (*chorus*)**

Installation of Faith Community Nurse - Lea DeLay

Homily – Pastor Tim

**Song of the Day – “God Is Here!”
(Chorus) God is here, God is here
God is here, God is here**

**2. Here are symbols to remind us
Of our lifelong need of grace
Here are table, font, and pulpit
Here the cross has central place
Here in honesty of preaching
Here in silence, as in speech
Here in newness and renewal
God the Spirit comes to each (*chorus*)**

Commissioning of Stephen Ministers

Homily – Pastor Tim

Song of the Day – “God Is Here!”

**(Chorus) God is here, God is here
God is here, God is here**

**3. Here our children find a welcome
In the Shepherd's flock and fold
Here as bread and wine are taken
Christ sustains us as of old
Here the servants of the Servant
Seek in worship to explore
What it means in daily living
To believe and to adore (*chorus*)**

Ingathering of Time, Talent, and Treasure

Dear God, you are the great provider. You give us our very selves. You give us our days. You have sent your Son, Jesus, into our midst to take away our fears and to guide our work. Bless our congregation as we, together, your children, offer You our return of thanks trusting in what is to come. Amen

Homily – Pastor Greg

**Song of the Day – “God Is Here!”
(Chorus) God is here, God is here**

God is here, God is here

**4. Lord of all, of church and kingdom
In an age of change and doubt
Keep us faithful to the gospel
Help us work your purpose out
Here in this day's dedication
All we have to give receive
We, who cannot live without you
We adore you we believe (*chorus*)**

+Prayers of the People

+Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

MEAL

Ministry Moment Video

Invitation to Offering

Offering Song – “Body Mind & Soul,” Andrew Polfer, Phil Wickham

**1. You won me over yeah You've stolen my heart
Your hand of mercy pulled me out of the dark
Alive forever I am held in Your arms
You won me over yeah You've stolen my heart
Singing**

**(Chorus) Hallelujah Hallelujah
I will love You with my body mind and soul
Hallelujah Hallelujah
God my heart belongs to You alone
Alone alone
God my heart belongs to You**

2. Beauty from ashes and water to wine
Miracle Maker You have made me alive
My past forgiven my future is bright
Beauty from ashes and water to wine
Singing (*chorus*)
(*Bridge*) Blessed Redeemer
Beautiful Savior
Miracle Maker
You have made me alive oh (*repeat*)

Miracle Maker
You have made me alive (*chorus*)

+Offering Prayer

+Holy Communion

+Setting the Table

+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.

+Invitation to the Meal

Communion Song – “Jesus Loves Me,” Ben Glover, Chris Tomlin, Reuben Morgan

**1. I was lost I was in chains
The world had a hold of me
My heart was a stone
I was covered in shame
When He came for me**

(Pre-chorus) **I couldn't run couldn't run from His presence
I couldn't run couldn't run from His arms** *(chorus)*

(Chorus) **Jesus He loves me
He loves me He is for me
Jesus how can it be
He loves me He is for me**

**2. It was a fire deep in my soul
I'll never be the same
I stepped out of the dark and into the light
When He called my name** *(pre-chorus, chorus)*

(Bridge) **He holds the stars and He holds my heart
With healing hands that bear the scars
The rugged cross where He died for me
My only hope my ev'rything** *(chorus)*

Prayer after the Meal

SENDING

Blessing

The love of God the Sovereign strengthen you,
God the Son save you,
And God the Holy Spirit anoint you for the work ahead.
The holy Trinity bless you ✝
and grant you a faithful and courageous heart
now and forever.
Amen.

Announcements

+Sending Song – “My God Is Powerful,” Jay Stocker

(Chorus) **My God is powerful
He stands invincible
I will hold on to him
I will hold on to him
Through God I will overcome
He's the rock that will never move
I will hold on to him
I will hold on to him**

(Verse) **His power moves the earth and sky
Takes me to the highest heights
My God is powerful
His power will forgive and heal
Crushes darkness drives out fear
My God is powerful (*chorus, verse, chorus*)**

+Sending

Go in peace. Share the harvest.
Thanks be to God.

New Members:

Aaron, Adrian, Silas, and Simone Weippert, Michael & Hope Norland, John, Katie, George, and Hugh McInerney, Rob & Pam Lowe, and Ella Wiese & Johnnie Cooper

Worship Team

Preaching Minister: Pastor Greg Johnson

Presiding Minister: Pastor Tim Lemme

Celebrate Band: Gene LeVasseur, Beth Boyens, Jane Ruud, Steve Kuper, Richard Haeder, Owen Anderson

Media: O’Zareus Davis

Sound: Andy Steinhouse

Announcements 11/23/2025

Help Us Deliver Blessing Bags on Sunday, December 7th. We invite you to help share joy with our homebound members. Blessing Bags will be available in the Gathering Place, each with a label for easy delivery. Thank you for helping us spread love and care this Advent season!

Poinsettias will beautify our worship spaces during our Christmas services. Submit your name and the person, occasion, or blessing you are honoring, along with your payment of \$15, and their names will appear in the bulletin insert on Christmas Eve. Plants may be picked up after the Christmas Eve worship services.

We are excited to share that the OSL Nursery is officially open on Sunday mornings for children ages 0–5! Located directly across from the Sanctuary, this newly refreshed space is designed to support parents and caregivers who are participating in worship and faith formation activities. We're grateful to provide a welcoming and safe place for our youngest disciples each week.

Annual Lefse Sale – Sunday, November 23rd. Join us for our OSL tradition! Stock up on delicious homemade lefse for your holiday celebrations. Come early—supplies are limited!

Throughout November, Sunday School and Creation Care teamed up for a Recycling Competition! Bring your rinsed-out pop cans and drop them in the collection bins along the stairs by the Gathering Place until the end of the month!

Help us decorate the church! We will start decorating for Christmas on Monday, November 24th at 5pm. A light supper will be provided.

The Heartland Handbells will present their Christmas Concert in our Sanctuary on Sunday, November 23rd at 3 pm. They are an elite community handbell choir with two of Our Savior's ringers involved, Ellen Smook and Gene LeVasseur. Admission is free!

Pastor Michael's first weekend preaching will be November 29th and 30th. Join us for a meet and greet at 6pm on Saturday and 10am on Sunday!

Join Pastor Michael for coffee or a light meal in December. "To get to know as many of you as possible, I will be hosting a coffee hour on Tuesday and Thursday mornings in the Gathering Place from 8:00 to 9:00 AM during the first three weeks of December. I will also be there on Wednesday nights from 5:00 to 6:00 PM to eat with whoever would like to join me. I would love to have you stop by and say hi. I look forward to being with you." - Pastor Michael

Join the Friendship Club for a trip to Nora, SD on December 2nd to enjoy the old-time country sights and sounds of Christmas at the "Old Country Store". Reserve your spot at the Welcome Center or call the Church Office. There is a \$25 cost for the bus ride and a suggested \$6 for lunch at Noon on Tuesday, December 2nd!

Mark your calendars for our Advent Fair on Wednesday, December 3rd, from 5:00pm - 7:00pm.

OSL will provide BBQ and chips, and members are invited to bring bars and goodies. Supper will be served from 5-6:15p.m. This evening is a wonderful way to celebrate together as a church family and begin the season with faith and fun.

Our next Augie Hockey Parking Fundraiser is December 5th and 6th. Funds from this weekend will go towards VBS. Please sign up online or at the Welcome Desk.

Vikings Night (previously Midnight Madness) is Sunday, December 7th and we are excited to welcome the college students who have finals! Dinner will be provided, desserts, and a quiet space to work from 6pm- Midnight! We are looking for volunteers to help with serving, cleaning up, making treats, and donations towards the pizza purchase. Please call the Church Office or sign-up at the Welcome Center!

November 25th, December 2nd, and 9th from 5:30-6:30pm we will have our Recent Loss ~ Fall Series. When someone we love dies, intense grief begins. This normal, natural response to loss can take many different forms and is different for everyone. Come to this group to give and receive support from others who are in the early weeks and months of this challenging journey. For more information contact Pr. Tim Lemme at 605-336-2942 or at tlemme@oslchurch.com.

As we prepare for this year's Christmas Program, we're looking for additional volunteers to help during the Sunday School hour throughout the month of November. There are many ways to serve—costume coordinator, stage help, sign holders, craft leaders, line runner, and more. If you have a heart for kids, creativity, or behind-the-scenes fun, we would love your help! You can find the volunteer roles listed on our Signup Genius. Thank you for supporting our children as they lead us in the Christmas story!

On Sunday, December 14th, following the Festive service, OSL will provide lunch at noon sharing a meal with chicken and sides provided by OSL. Members are suggested to bring treats to share on this wonderful day.