



Festive

Planting Faith ~ Nurturing Hope ~ Sharing God's Love

Christ the King Sunday Traditional Worship Service
Sunday, November 23 ~ 11:00am



Our Savior's Lutheran Church (ELCA) * 909 West 33rd Street, Sioux Falls, SD 57105
Ministers: Pastor Timothy Lemme, Interim Pastor Greg Johnson
Visitation Ministers: Pastor Robert Hansen, Maribeth Anderson
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+ indicates to stand if able

GATHERING

Prelude – “Aus meines Herzens Grunde,” Johann Gottfried Walther
“A Simple Celebration,” Brian Johnson

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.

+Sharing the Peace

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

+Gathering Hymn - ELW, No. 641 "All Are Welcome," *sts. 1, 3-5*

+Greeting

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

+Prayer of the Day

WORD

Anthem – "Give Me Jesus," arr. Tom Trenney

+Gospel Acclamation – ELW, Pg. 198

The holy gospel according to St. Luke.
Glory to you, O Lord.

+Gospel – Luke 23:33-43

The gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Welcome New Members

Homily – Pastor Greg

Hymn of the Day – ELW, No. 526 “God Is Here!” *sts. 1*

Installation of Faith Community Nurse - Lea DeLay

Homily – Pastor Tim

Hymn of the Day – ELW, No. 526 “God Is Here!” *sts. 2*

Commissioning of Stephen Ministers

Homily – Pastor Tim

Hymn of the Day – ELW, No. 526 “God Is Here!” *sts. 3*

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

Hymn of the Day – ELW, No. 526 “God Is Here!” *sts. 4*

+Apostle’s Creed

**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

MEAL

Ministry Moment Video

Offering

Offering Music – Reflection on “For the Beauty of the Earth,” arr. Sandra Eithun

+Offering Prayer

+Holy Communion

+Dialog

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.

+Preface

+Holy – ELW, pg. 200

+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.**

+Invitation to Communion

Lamb of God – ELW, pg. 201

Communion Music – “Now the Silence,” arr. Cathy Moglebust

Communion Hymn – ELW, No. 696 “Jesus Calls Us; o’er the Tumult”

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 Hymn** – ELW, No. 654 “The Church’s One Foundation,” *sts. 1, 2, 5*

+Sending

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

Postlude – Prelude and Chorale on “Nun danket alle Gott,” arr. Jan Bender

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

Organ: Christopher Larson

Cantor: Tara Stadem

Media: Dorene Weinstein

Sound: Jake Lemme

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 7 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.