



**CHRIST CHURCH  
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IN THE DIOCESE OF EAST CAROLINA  
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Our Vision: To be a church that loves the way God Loves

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## **CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY**

**November 24, 2024 — 8:30 am**

*Book of Common (BCP) and Hymnal pages are listed on the right.* **BCP: Book of Common Prayer** (*black*),  
**S or H: Hymnal 1982** (*blue*), **WLP: Wonder, Love, and Praise** (*green*), **L: Lift Every Voice** (*red*)

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### **THE LITURGY OF THE WORD**

#### **HEARING AND RESPONDING TO HOLY SCRIPTURE**

**Prelude**                                 **Meditation on "Our God, Our Help in Ages Past"**                 **by Craig A. Penfield**

**Processional Hymn**                                 **Come, thou almighty King**   **H 365**

*Celebrant*             Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.   **BCP 355**

*People*               **And blessed be God's kingdom, now and forever. Amen.**

*Celebrant*             Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known, and from you no secrets are hid:  
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love  
you, and worthily magnify your holy Name; through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*Refrain*

Now the feast and cel - e - bra - tion, all of cre - a - tion

sings for joy to the God of life and love and free - dom;

praise and glo - ry for - ev - er - more!

1 Now is the feast of the Lamb once slain, whose blood has

freed and u - nit-ed us to be one great peo-ple of God. *Refrain*

2 Pow - er and rich-es, wis-dom and might, all hon - or and

glo - ry to Christ for - ev - er. *Refrain*

3 For God has come to dwell with us, to make us peo-ple of

God; to make all things new. *Refrain*

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*Celebrant*  
*People*  
*Celebrant*

The Lord be with you.  
**And also with you.**  
 Let us pray.

## Collect of the Day

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

*Please sit for the reading of the scriptures.*

## The First Lesson

2 Samuel 23:1-7

These are the last words of David:

The oracle of David, son of Jesse,  
the oracle of the man whom God exalted,  
the anointed of the God of Jacob,  
the favorite of the Strong One of Israel:

The spirit of the LORD speaks through me,  
his word is upon my tongue.

The God of Israel has spoken,  
the Rock of Israel has said to me:

One who rules over people justly,  
ruling in the fear of God,  
is like the light of morning,  
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning,  
gleaming from the rain on the grassy land.

Is not my house like this with God?  
For he has made with me an everlasting covenant,  
ordered in all things and secure.

Will he not cause to prosper  
all my help and my desire?

But the godless are all like thorns that are thrown away;  
for they cannot be picked up with the hand;  
to touch them one uses an iron bar  
or the shaft of a spear.  
And they are entirely consumed in fire on the spot.

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

1 LORD, remember David, \*

and all the hardships he endured;

**2 How he swore an oath to the LORD \***

**and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:**

3 "I will not come under the roof of my house," \*

nor climb up into my bed;

**4 I will not allow my eyes to sleep, \***

**nor let my eyelids slumber;**

5 Until I find a place for the LORD, \*

a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

**6 "The ark! We heard it was in Ephratah; \***

**we found it in the fields of Jearim.**

7 Let us go to God's dwelling place; \*

let us fall upon our knees before his footstool."

**8 Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place, \***

**you and the ark of your strength.**

9 Let your priests be clothed with righteousness; \*

let your faithful people sing with joy.

**10 For your servant David's sake, \***

**do not turn away the face of your Anointed.**

11 The LORD has sworn an oath to David; \*

in truth, he will not break it:

**12 "A son, the fruit of your body \***

**will I set upon your throne.**

13 If your children keep my covenant

and my testimonies that I shall teach them, \*

their children will sit upon your throne for evermore."

## The Second Lesson

## Revelation 1:4b-18

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, and 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, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! 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.

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

*Reader* The Word of the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**The Holy Gospel** *Standing*

John 18:33-37

*Deacon* The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John.*People* **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” Pilate 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?” Jesus 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.” Pilate 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.”

*Deacon* The Gospel of the Lord.*People* **Praise to you, Lord Christ.****The Children’s Homily**

Hannah Hutchens

**The Sermon**

The Rev. H. Paul Canady III

**The Nicene Creed** *All stand*

BCP 358

**We believe in one God,**

**the Father, the Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,**

**the only Son of God,  
eternally begotten of the Father,  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
of one Being with the Father.**

**Through him all things were made.****For us and for our salvation**

**he came down from heaven:  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,  
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;****he suffered death and was buried.****On the third day he rose again****in accordance with the Scriptures;****he ascended into heaven****and is seated at the right hand of the Father.****He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,****and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.**

**With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.**

**He has spoken through the Prophets.**

**We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.**

**We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.**

**We look for the resurrection of the dead,  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

**Prayers of the People** *Stand or kneel*

**Intercessions for Christian People**

On this last Sunday of the liturgical year, we celebrate the feast of Christ the King. As we reflect on the meaning of Jesus' reign over our hearts, let us pray for ourselves and for the world, saying: May your reign come; Lord, hear our prayer.

We pray for all those in positions of power, that they may govern with wisdom and integrity, serving the needs of their people. May your reign come; **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for the church, the sign of your reign, that it may extend your welcome to people of every race and background. May your kingdom come; **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for Christians of every denomination, that together we may come to understand the royal priesthood you bestowed on us in baptism. May your dominion come; **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for all those whose commitment to truth brings them into conflict with earthly powers, that they may have the courage to endure. May your rule come; **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We pray for this community of faith, that attentive to your word, we may always worship in spirit and truth. May your reign come; **Lord, hear our prayer.**

We especially remember military personnel, elected officials, mental health professionals, and all those who serve in our community.

The flowers behind the altar are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Ann Vincent and Chloe Kurtz by Lisa Kurtz; and in thanksgiving for their 60th wedding anniversary by John and Donna Gaskill.

We remember Christ Church & Galilee Mission, Creswell; and St. Luke's & St. Anne's, Roper; in this week's Cycle of Prayer.

O God of all justice and peace we cry out to you in the midst of the pain and trauma of violence and fear which prevails in the Holy Land. Be with those who need you in these days of suffering; we pray for people of all faiths - Jews, Muslims and Christians and for all people of the land. While we pray to you, O Lord, for an end to violence and the establishment of peace, we also call for you to bring justice and equity to the peoples. Guide us into your heavenly kingdom where all people are treated with dignity and honor as your children for, to all of us, you are our Heavenly Father. \*\*

Loving God, you have taught us that the power of the heart is greater than the power of wealth and might. Hear us as we pray for the fulfillment of your reign. We ask this through Jesus our King; to him be glory and power forever. **Amen.**

*Deacon* We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

*Silence may be kept.*

\*\* Prayer offered by the Anglican Archbishop of Jerusalem, the Most. Rev. Hosam Naoum.

*Deacon and People*

**Most merciful God,  
we confess that we have sinned against you  
in thought, word, and deed,  
by what we have done,  
and by what we have left undone.  
We have not loved you with our whole heart;  
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.  
We are truly sorry, and we humbly repent.  
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ, have mercy on us and forgive us;  
that we may delight in your will,  
and walk in your ways,  
to the glory of your Name. Amen.**

*Silence*

*Celebrant* Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

**The Peace** *All stand.*

*Celebrant* The peace of the Lord be always with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

**Offertory Sentence**

**Music at the Offertory**

**Christ, Be Our Light**

**Bernadette Farrell**

*Joyful Voices*

### **Receiving Communion and One-On-One Prayer**

Christ welcomes all to communion. Those Baptized in any Christian tradition are encouraged to receive communion.

- Receive the bread in open and outstretched hands and sip the wine, guiding the chalice to your lips.
- If you do not want to sip the wine, it is also perfectly appropriate to receive the bread only. If you wish to intinct, or dip the wafer in the wine, please hold the wafer in such a way that the Eucharistic Minister can intinct it and hand it back to you. Please do not intinct the wafer yourself.
- Gluten-free wafers and grape juice are also available at the lower station.
- Respond to communion by saying "Amen."
- If you prefer a blessing, cross your hands over your chest.
- Baptism is offered several times yearly; speak to a priest to learn more.
- If you wish to pray one-on-one with a Prayer Minister, go to the Chapel after receiving communion or a blessing.
- Prayer ministers hold all requests in absolute confidence.

**Hymn at the Presentation**

**H. 380 v. 3**

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host:  
praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.**

THE LITURGY OF THE TABLE  
HOLY COMMUNION

BCP 369

Eucharistic Prayer, Prayer C

*Celebrant* The Lord be with you.

*People* **And also with you.**

*Celebrant* Lift up your hearts.

*People* **We lift them to the Lord.**

*Celebrant* Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

*People* **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

*Celebrant*

God of all power, Ruler of the Universe, you are worthy of glory and praise.

**Glory to you for ever and ever.**

At your command all things came to be: the vast expanse of interstellar space, galaxies, suns, the planets in their courses, and this fragile earth, our island home.

**By your will they were created and have their being.**

From the primal elements you brought forth the human race, and blessed us with memory, reason, and skill. You made us the rulers of creation. But we turned against you, and betrayed your trust; and we turned against one another.

**Have mercy, Lord, for we are sinners in your sight.**

Again and again, you called us to return. Through prophets and sages you revealed your righteous Law. And in the fullness of time you sent your only Son, born of a woman, to fulfill your Law, to open for us the way of freedom and peace.

**By his blood, he reconciled us.**

**By his wounds, we are healed.**

And therefore we praise you, joining with the heavenly chorus, with prophets, apostles, and martyrs, and with all those in every generation who have looked to you in hope, to proclaim with them your glory, in their unending hymn:



Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of power and  
 might, heaven 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. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

*The Celebrant continues*

And so, Father, we who have been redeemed by him, and made a new people by water and the Spirit, now bring before you these gifts. Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ our Lord.

On the night he was betrayed he took bread, said the blessing, broke the bread, and gave it to his friends, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Remembering now his work of redemption, and offering to you this sacrifice of thanksgiving,

**We celebrate his death and resurrection,**

**As we await the day of his coming.**

Lord God of our Fathers and Mothers; God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob; God of Deborah, Ruth, and Esther; God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ: Open our eyes to see your hand at work in the world about us. Deliver us from the presumption of coming to this Table for solace only, and not for strength; for pardon only, and not for renewal. Let the grace of this Holy Communion make us one body, one spirit in Christ, that we may worthily serve the world in his name.

**Risen Lord, be known to us in the breaking of the Bread.**

Accept these prayers and praises, Father, through Jesus Christ our great High Priest, to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, your Church gives honor, glory, and worship, from generation to generation. **AMEN.**

**The Lord's Prayer** As our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

**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,**

**for ever and ever. Amen.**

### **The Breaking of the Bread**

*Celebrant* Alleluia, Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us;

*People* **Therefore let us keep the feast, Alleluia.**

### **Invitation to Communion**

*Celebrant* The Gifts of God for the People of God. Take them in remembrance that Christ died for you and feed on him in your hearts by faith, with thanksgiving.

### **Communion Hymn**

**Let us break bread together**

**L 152**

*We will sing this as communion is ending. Please stand as you are able while we sing.*

### **Sending Forth Eucharistic Visitor** *Standing*

*Celebrant* We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup.

*People* **Take these holy gifts of our Lord's Body and Blood and go forth in the name of Christ Church. May those to whom you go experience with us the majesty and mystery of His presence through the sharing of the bread and wine.**

*All* **We who are many are one body because we share one bread, one cup.**

*Celebrant* Let us pray.

**Lord, make us instruments of your peace. Where there is hatred, let us sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is discord, union; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. Grant that we may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.**

**The Blessing** *Standing*

The peace of God that passes all understanding keep your hearts and minds on the knowledge and love of God and of his son Jesus Christ our Lord and the blessing of God Almighty, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

**Recessional Hymn**

**Crown him with many crowns**

**H 494**

**The Dismissal**

*Deacon* Go in peace, to love and serve the Lord.

*People* **Thanks be to God.**

**Postlude**

**Improvisation on "Crown him with many crowns" by Jacqueline Nappi**

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**SERVING US TODAY**

**Vergers:** Hal Stirling

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**Acolytes:** Caroline Carpenter, Julia Ballard, Wynn Buhrmaster

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**Diocesan Cycle of Prayer:** Christ Church & Galilee Mission, Creswell; St. Luke's & St. Anne's, Roper

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### CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS THIS WEEK AT CHRIST CHURCH

#### **Sunday, November 24**

*Annual Meeting / Christ the King Sunday*

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for all ages

9:45 am: Coffee Hour (Parish House)

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / [Online](#))

#### **Monday, November 25**

1 pm: Staff Meeting (2nd Floor Conference Room)

#### **Tuesday, November 26**

7 am: Al-Anon Meeting (2nd Floor Living Room)

8:30 am: Eucharist (Chapel)

6:30 pm: Small Wonders NA Meeting (Pelletier Room)

#### **Wednesday, November 27**

6 pm: Thanksgiving Eve Eucharist followed by pie (Nave / Parish House)

6:15 pm: AA Meeting (Harrison Center)

#### **Thursday, November 28**

*Thanksgiving Holiday - Offices Closed*

#### **Friday, November 29**

*Thanksgiving Holiday - Offices Closed*

#### **Sunday, December 1**

*Birthday and Anniversary Sunday*

8:30 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave)

9:45 am: Sunday School for all ages

9:45 am: Advent Workshop (Parish House)

9:45 am: Coffee Hour (Parish House)

11 am: Eucharist Rite II (Nave / [Online](#))