

Holy Trinity Sunday
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In-Person and Live Stream Online Worship Guide



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Hearts Loved By God
Hands To Serve All
Through Jesus Christ



**WELCOME TO CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH
IN PERSON AND ONLINE WORSHIP SERVICE**

We welcome you to worship with us! We hope you will experience the grace and peace of God’s love present with you. For more information, please contact us by email or phone, or by visiting our Facebook page, or at our website, www.ctkvestal.org.

ABOUT OUR WORSHIP SERVICE

ORDER OF WORSHIP

Worship this morning will be both in person and simultaneously online via Zoom. The Worship Service follows the pattern of Gather-Word-Meal-Sending. It will include the distribution of communion on-site and the sending of communion to those who are not able to join us in person. Please contact the church office to let us know if you would like communion served to you at home.

OFFERINGS

You may present your offering to God for the work of God through Christ the King Lutheran Church online via our website at www.ctkvestal.org and clicking on the “Give Now” button, by leaving it at the church, or by mail.

IN-PERSON WORSHIP GUIDELINES AND SAFETY PROTOCOLS

Christ the King Leadership Team has adopted a series of safety protocols. Due to the ongoing pandemic, we are following CDC guidelines for Broome County. When the risk for our county is high, we ask all in-person worshippers to wear a mask regardless of vaccination status for the safety of everyone. Thank you for your understanding. Sanitizing stations are available in the narthex.

ZOOM ONLINE

Joining worship by Zoom online gives you an opportunity to participate in the live worship service. You may share prayer requests in the chat feature on Zoom.

ABOUT CHRIST THE KING LUTHERAN CHURCH

Christ the King is a Reconciling in Christ congregation. We are called by Christ to care for, love, understand, and listen to each other. All are welcome, regardless of race, age, gender and gender identities, marital status, physical and mental abilities, sexual orientations, national origin, or economic status. We celebrate together our unity as God’s people, committed to being a radically loving and welcoming community of faith, centered in the Good News of Jesus Christ. Empowered by the Holy Spirit, Christ the King is a place for all to discover and develop their God-given gifts and share them with the world.

If you desire Pastoral Care or have a Pastoral Emergency, please contact the Church Office at 607-729-2688 and leave a message. Your message will be automatically forwarded. Our team of caring ministers will respond to your call.

GATHERING

+ *Please stand as you are able*

Prelude

Welcome

+ Confession and Forgiveness

Leader: Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who greets us in this and every season,
whose word never fails,
whose promise is sure.

All: Amen.

Leader: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God
and of our neighbors.

Leader: Merciful God,

**All: we confess that we have sinned.
We have hurt our community.
We have squandered your blessings.
We have hoarded your bounty.
In the name of Jesus,
forgive us and grant us your mercy.**

Silence is kept for reflection.

Leader: God is a cup of cold water when we thirst.
God offers boundless grace when we fail.
Claim the gift of God's mercy:
you are freed and forgiven
in the name of Jesus Christ.

All: Amen.

+ Gathering Hymn

Like the Murmur of the Dove's Song

ELW No. 403

- 1 Like the murmur of the dove's song,
like the challenge of her flight,
like the vigor of the wind's rush,
like the new flame's eager might:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

- 2 To the members of Christ's body,
to the branches of the vine,
to the church in faith assembled,
to our midst as gift and sign:
come, Holy Spirit, come.
- 3 With the healing of division,
with the ceaseless voice of prayer,
with the power to love and witness,
with the peace beyond compare:
come, Holy Spirit, come.

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+ Greeting

Leader: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

All: **And also with you.**

+ Prayer of the Day (in unison)

Almighty Creator and ever-living God: we worship your glory, eternal Three-in-One, and we praise your power, majestic One-in-Three. Keep us steadfast in this faith, defend us in all adversity, and bring us at last into your presence, where you live in endless joy and love, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

First Reading

Genesis 1:1-2:4a

Reading of the Psalm (responsively)

Psalm 8

- ¹O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!—
- ²**you whose glory is chanted above the heavens out of the mouths of infants and children;
you have set up a fortress against your enemies, to silence the foe and avenger.**
- ³When I consider your heavens, the work of your fingers,
the moon and the stars you have set in their courses,
- ⁴**what are mere mortals that you should be mindful of them,
human beings that you should care for them?**
- ⁵Yet you have made them little less than divine;
with glory and honor you crown them.

**⁶You have made them rule over the works of your hands;
you have put all things under their feet:**

**⁷all flocks and cattle,
even the wild beasts of the field,**

**⁸the birds of the air, the fish of the sea,
and whatever passes along the paths of the sea.**

**⁹O LORD our Lord,
how majestic is your name in all the earth!**

Second Reading

2 Corinthians 13:11-13

+ Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia. Holy, holy, holy is the Lord of hosts; God's glory fills the whole earth. *Alleluia.* (Isa. 6:3)

+ Gospel Reading

Matthew 28:16-20

Leader: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, chapter 28, verses 16 through 20.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

After the reading:

Leader: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Judy Mica-Guerin

+ Hymn of the Day

Amazing Grace

ELW No. 779

- 1 Amazing grace! how sweet the sound
that saved a wretch like me!
I once was lost, but now am found;
was blind, but now I see.
- 2 'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!
- 3 Through many dangers, toils, and snares
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

- 4 The Lord has promised good to me;
his word my hope secures;
he will my shield and portion be
as long as life endures.
- 5 When we've been there ten thousand years,
bright shining as the sun,
we've no less days to sing God's praise
than when we'd first begun.

Text: John Newton, 1725-1807, alt., sts. 1-4; anonymous, st. 5

+ The Apostles Creed (in unison)

**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 the People

During the prayers, worshippers are invited to lift up prayers, wherever they are, and by the posting of your prayer on Zoom Chat or Facebook, for the people, places and situations for which we are thankful or are in need of prayer.

We will pray following the petition bidding style:

*Each petition concludes, "God of grace..."
to which the congregation responds, "...hear our prayer."*

+ The Peace

In an act of unity, blessing, and reconciliation, we greet one another with the Peace of Christ. (Matthew 5:23-24). For safety reasons during this time of Covid-19, the peace is shared by uttering words of peace, by gesturing with hands or by bowing.

Leader: Be kind to one another, and tenderhearted forgiving one another,
as God in Christ has forgiven you. The Peace of the Risen Christ be with you.

All: And also with you.

MEAL

Our Offerings are Gathered

Our worship is complete when we bring all of our resources to receive God's blessing and fulfill God's purpose. In joyous gratitude, we bring more than money; we bring ourselves, our time and our talent as an offering to God. Please take a moment to offer yourself anew to God. You are also invited to present an offering to God for the work of God's mission through Christ the King by giving online at www.ctkvestal.org and clicking the "Give Now" button, by leaving your offering at church, or by mail. For those present in the sanctuary, you may leave your offering in the offering plate as you exit the sanctuary.

Offertory

Offering Prayer (in unison)

**God of field and forest, sea and sky,
you are the giver of all good things.
Sustain us with these gifts of your creation,
and multiply your graciousness in us,
that the world may be fed with your love,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.**

The Great Thanksgiving

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And also with you.

Leader: Lift up your hearts.

All: We lift them up to the Lord.

Leader: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All: It is right to give God thanks and praise.

The thanksgiving continues with the proper preface... "and join their unending hymn."

Eucharistic Prayer

The Words of Institution

The Lord's Prayer (in unison)

**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.
Forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
Lead us not into temptation
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, the power,
and the glory forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

Distribution of Communion

We go to the table to encounter the body and blood of the living Christ in bread and wine, through which faith is nourished and sins are forgiven. Please proceed to the altar through the center aisle where you will receive a piece of bread from a worship leader. Then proceed to one of the chalice bearers and dip your bread in the wine (silver chalice) or grape juice (glass chalice). In addition to bread, we have a gluten free station. Should you prefer gluten free, please proceed directly to the station to the right of the baptismal font when you come forward.

Communion Hymn

Eat This Bread

ELW No. 472

"Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst."

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Communion

Please hold your bread and cup until all have been served and then we will commune together.

+ Prayer after Communion (in unison)

We thank you, generous God,
for the refreshment we have received
at your banquet table.

Send us now to spread your generosity into all the world,
through the one who is our dearest treasure,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.

SENDING

+ Sending Hymn

Christ, Be Our Light

ELW No. 715

- 1 Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
light for the world to see.

Refrain

Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today.

- 2 Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us.
Make us your living voice. *Refrain*

- 3 Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed. *Refrain*

- 4 Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone. *Refrain*

- 5 Many the gifts, many the people,
many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
signs of your kingdom come. *Refrain*

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Announcements

+ Blessing

Leader: The God who calls across the cosmos
and speaks in the smallest seed
bless, keep, and sustain you
now and to the end of the age.

All: Amen.

Postlude

Looking Ahead:

Thursday, June 8	Leadership Team at 6:30 PM
Saturday, June 10	Men's Group at 8:00 AM
Sunday, June 11	No service at CTK
Sunday, June 18	Worship with Communion at CTK at 10:00 AM

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