

**St. Mark's Lutheran Church of Van Wert, Ohio**  
**Online Worship Service for November 22, 2020**  
**Christ the King Sunday**  
**Last Sunday of the Church Year**

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**Prelude**

**Call to Worship**

P: We worship as the people of God in the name of the Father, Son  $\text{✝}$  and Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen!**

**Brief Order of Confession and Forgiveness**

P: God of all mercy and consolation, come to the help of your people, turning us from our sin to live for your alone.  
Give us the power of your Holy Spirit that we may confess our sin, receive your forgiveness, and grow into the fullness of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen.**

C: While we still were sinners, Christ died for us.  
Through the power of the Holy Spirit,  
God promises to heal us and forgive us.  
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God  
and of one another.

C: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.

For self-centered living, and for failing to walk  
with humility and gentleness:

**C: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.**

P: For longing to have what is not ours,  
and for hearts that are not at rest with ourselves:

**C: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.**

P: For misuse of human relationships,  
and for unwillingness to see the image of God in others:

**C: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.**

P: For jealousies that divide families and nations,  
and for rivalries that create strife and warfare:

**C: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.**

P: For reluctance in sharing the gifts of God,  
and for carelessness with the fruits of creation:

**C: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.**

P: For hurtful words that condemn,  
and for angry deeds that harm:

**C: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.**

P: For idleness in witnessing to Jesus Christ,  
and for squandering the gifts of love and grace:

**C: Holy God, holy and mighty, holy and immortal,  
have mercy on us.**

P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. Through the Holy Spirit God cleanses us and gives us the power to proclaim the mighty acts of the one calls us out of darkness into his marvelous light. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen!**

**Gathering Hymn “All Hail the Power of Jesus’ Name!” Hymn 634 vv. 1 & 2**

All hail the power of Jesus’ name! Let angels prostrate fall;  
bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.  
Bring forth the royal diadem and crown him Lord of all.

O seed of Israel’s chosen race now ransomed from the fall,  
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.  
Hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.

**Prayer of the Day**

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

**C: And also with you!**

P: Let us pray...through Jesus Christ our Savior and Lord.

**C: Amen!**

**Ephesians 1:15-23 Lector: Amber Wiseman**

<sup>15</sup> I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love<sup>[a]</sup> toward all the saints, and for this reason <sup>16</sup> I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. <sup>17</sup> I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, <sup>18</sup> so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the

saints, <sup>19</sup> and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. <sup>20</sup> God <sup>[b]</sup> put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, <sup>21</sup> far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. <sup>22</sup> And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, <sup>23</sup> which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

## **Message**

### **Hymn of the Day    “Beautiful Savior”**

**Hymn 838 vv. 1 & 4**

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Truly I’d love thee, truly I’d serve thee,  
light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,  
Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,  
now and forevermore be thine!

### **Apostles’ Creed    (page 105)**

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**

P: With the whole people of God in Christ Jesus, let us pray for the church,  
those in need, and all of God's creation...

P: Lord, in your mercy,

**C:     hear our prayer.**

P: Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting  
in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

**C:     Amen.**

### **Peace**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C:     And also with you.**

### **Offering**

The continuing 156 year ministry of your church functions as the hands, voice  
and feet of Jesus in our local, national, and global communities. You can give  
your financial offering in a number of ways:

- Electronically. Go to [My Offering](#) or text 419-273-9947.
- Mail your offerings or bring them to the church office directly.
- Save your offerings and bring them collectively when we can worship again  
in person.

*"Give thanks to the LORD, for he is good, for his steadfast love endures forever."*

*Psalms 136:1*

### **Offertory**

### **Lord's Prayer**

P: Lord, remember us in your kingdom, and teach us to pray.

**C: 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, forever and ever. Amen.**

### **Blessing**

P: Blessed and beloved people of God and members of his forever family, God has shown you what is good. What does the Lord require of you but to do justice, and to love kindness, and to walk humbly with your God. (Micah 6:8)

P: The Lord bless you and keep you. The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you. The Lord look upon you with favor and give you peace. In the name of the Father, Son  $\text{✠}$  and Holy Spirit. (Numbers 6:24-26)

**C: Amen.**

### **Dismissal**

P: Go in peace. Share the good news!

**C: Thanks be to God!**

### **Sending Hymn “Crown Him with Many Crowns” Hymn 855 vv. 1 & 2**

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;  
hark, how the heav’nly anthem drowns all music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,  
and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the virgin’s Son, the God incarnate born,  
whose arm those crimson trophies won which now his brow adorn;  
fruit of the mystic rose, yet of that rose the stem,  
the root whence mercy ever flows, the babe of Bethlehem.

**Doxology**

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. Amen.

**Postlude**