



Christ the King Sunday
The Last Sunday after Pentecost
26 November 2023
10:15 a.m.

Voluntary on *Kremser* (Hymn 433)

Craig Phillips

Hymn 435 stanzas 1,4,5,6

King's Weston

Opening Sentences & Collect for Purity

Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

And blessed be God's kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

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.**

The Gloria

David Hurd



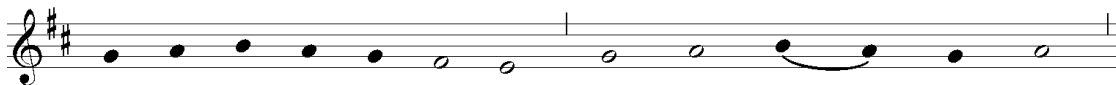
1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and peace to his peo - ple on earth.



2. Lord God, hea - ven - ly King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you,



we give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus Christ,



on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God,



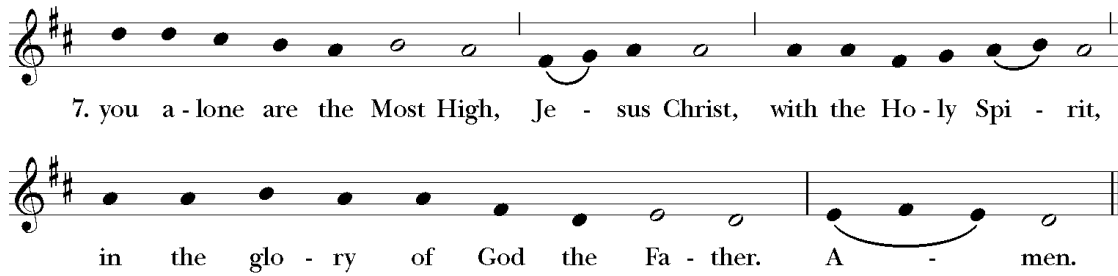
4. you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer - cy on us;



5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther; re - ceive our prayer.



6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord,



The Collect of the Day

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Let us pray.

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.**

The First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Reader A reading from Ezekiel.

For thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 100

The psalm is sung by the congregation.



1. Be joyful in the Lord, all you / lands;
serve the Lord with gladness and come before his / presence with a song.
2. Know this: The Lord himself is / God;
he himself has made us, and we are his;
we are his people and the / sheep of his pasture.
3. Enter his gates with thanksgiving; go into his courts with / praise;
give thanks to him and / call upon his Name.

4. For the Lord is good; his mercy is ever-/lasting;
and his faithfulness endures / from age to age.

The Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

Reader A reading from Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. 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, 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, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God 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, 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. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Hymn 483

St. Magnus

The Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Gospeller The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

A brief silence follows.

Nicene Creed

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: was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. 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, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who 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.

The Prayers of the People

On this, the last Sunday of the Church year, we celebrate the reign of Christ and pray for the Church and for the world over which he reigns.

We pray for all those in positions of power that they may govern with wisdom and integrity serving the needs of their people. We pray for Donald, our president; for Eric, our governor; for Tony and John, our mayors, for Erin the mayor-elect, and for all those in authority. We pray for the people of Israel and Palestine; for hostages and all innocent civilians in harms' way; for peace in all places of conflict; for the victims of violence; and for repair, understanding, and healing across our nation and in our community.

Christ, may your reign come;
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. We pray for Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; for Michael, our Presiding Bishop; for Jennifer, our Bishop; and for the people, lay staff, and clergy of this parish.

Christ, may your reign come;
Hear our prayer.

We pray for Christians of every denomination, that together we may understand the royal priesthood you bestow on us in baptism. In the wider Church, we pray for the Church of Nigeria; for our companion Diocese of Brasilia and their Bishop Mauricio; for the people and Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's in Mithon; and for those struggling with food insecurity and housing instability and our parishes that provide aid to them.

Christ, may your reign come;
Hear our prayer.

We pray for this community of faith, that attentive to your word, we may always worship in spirit and truth. We lift up those commended to our prayers, including those we name together: **Rosemarie Goonewardene, Sue Eichhorn, Don Nead, Janet Huber, Ginny Hull, Dean Hunter, Pam Ogorzaly, Barbara Hess, Helen Slagel, Paul Lawson, Pequita Behrndt, Douglas Campbell, Carolyn Speer, Carol Helgerman, John Howland, Alyce Dressler, John & Elizabeth Barrett, Bill McInerney, Jerry & Sandra, Terry, Lori, Martie, Joy, Ben, Judy, Rhianna, Josh, Chris, Rosemary, Deb, Paul, Marcus, Ben, Brent, Gabby, Kirsten, Pam, Wendell, Charles, Kay, Dale, and their families;** and all others we name now either silently or aloud....

Christ, may your reign come;
Hear our prayer.

We give thanks for all the people of this parish, including those we name together: **Cynthy Scruggs, Jeanine Shannon and her children Emma & Arran, Bill & Jan Shoemaker, Charlie Shook, Steve & Rachel Shook and their children Lydia, Harry, & Frances**, and for all those blessings we name now either silently or aloud....

Christ, may your reign come;
Hear our prayer.

We pray for those who have gone before us in the faith and all who have died, including Rosalynn, those buried in our Memorial Garden and all those we now name either silently or aloud.... May they rest in peace and may light perpetual shine upon them.

Christ, may your reign come;
Hear our prayer.

We pray for all those whose commitment to truth brings them into conflict with earthly powers and give thanks for those who serve as witnesses to your kingdom.

Christ, may your reign come;
Hear our prayer.

The presider concludes the prayers

Gracious and loving God, you made all of humankind in your image and redeemed us through Jesus your Son: In recognition of the International Transgender Day of Remembrance, we remember those who have been persecuted and killed because of their all-encompassing humanity; help us to overcome our anger and our fear of those whose lives move beyond binary definitions; draw us closer to the mystery and complexity of your infinite creativity and creation; teach us to look upon all of your children with love and compassion, that we may all live in safety and in peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

O God, it is your will to hold both heaven and earth in a single peace. Let the design of your great love shine on the waste of our wraths and sorrows, and give peace to your church, peace among nations, peace in our homes, and peace in our hearts; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Confession of Sin

Let us confess our sins to God.

God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.

The presider says

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

The Peace

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

And also with you.

The people may greet one another in the name of Christ.

Announcements & Blessings for Personal Life

Those celebrating birthdays, anniversaries, or other milestones are invited to come forward.

Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may your peace which passes understanding abide all the days of their lives; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Great Thanksgiving

Offertory

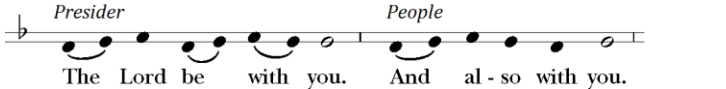
Come to this table you who have much faith and you who would have more; Come to this table you have been here often and you who have not been for a long time; Come to this table you who have tried to follow Jesus, and you who have failed. Come to this table for it is Christ who invites us to meet him here.

Anthem *King of Glory, King of Peace*

K. Lee Scott

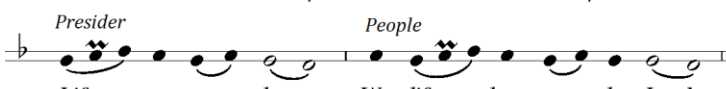
The Holy Eucharist Eucharistic Prayer A

Presider *People*



The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Presider *People*



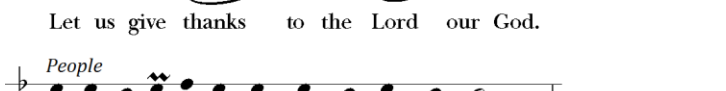
Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

Presider



Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.


People




It is right to give God thanks and praise.

It is right, and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth...

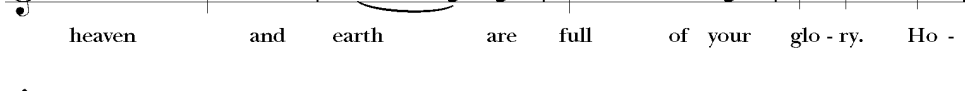
Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name:




Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow - er and might,




heaven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -



san - na in the high - est. Ho - san - na in the high - est.



Blessed 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 presider continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself, and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, 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; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, 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."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

Christ has died.

Christ is risen.

Christ will come again.

The presider continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ: By him, and with him, and in him, in the unity of the Holy Spirit all honor and glory is yours, Almighty Father, now and for ever. **AMEN.**

As our Savior Christ has taught us, we now pray,

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 for ever. Amen.

The Breaking the Bread

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Christ our Pass - o - ver is sac - ri - ficed for us;
there - fore let us keep the feast.
Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

The Invitation & Communion of the People

The consecrated Bread and Wine are living signs of the presence of Christ in this gathering. All Baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion; however, no one who comes forward will be refused. If you would like a gluten-free wafer, please ask when you come forward.

Music during Communion

Hymn 382

Hymn 609

General Seminary

Gardiner

The Prayer After Communion

Let us pray.

Eternal God, heavenly Father, you have graciously accepted us as living members of your Son our Savior Jesus Christ, and you have fed us with spiritual food in the Sacrament of his Body and Blood. Send us now into the world in peace, and grant us strength and courage to love and serve you with gladness and singleness of heart; through Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Blessing

The Presider blesses the people, and they respond

Amen.

Hymn 494

Diademata

The Dismissal

A member of the clergy dismisses the people, and they respond

Thanks be to God.

Voluntary Fanfare

Jacques Lemmens

Our worship has ended. Our service begins.



Those Serving

Presider

Jason Fortner

MC

Kathy Johnson

Acolyte

Bruce Johnson

Lectors

Greg McClure, Linda Jeffries

LEM

Maggie McClure

Ushers

Carol L'Homme, George Moore

Counters

Sally Hastings, Jennifer Stein

Altar Guild

Dorinda Kueberth, Heather Johnston Nicholson, Linda Jeffries,

Michael Benner, Robert Kurtz



Welcome

May today's worship give you a sense of Christ's peace and inspire you to God's service.

We welcome the full participation of children in our worship. Activity bags are located at the rear of the church and may help them during the liturgy. Please return the bags after the service. We also offer nursery care during the service. If you feel it is more comfortable for your child to be in childcare, an usher can direct you to the nursery.

St. John's has a Hearing Loop system, which allows those wearing appropriate hearing aids to receive the church's sound system directly. If you wear a hearing aid, you may need your audiologist to activate the T-coil in your device.

New To St. John's?

We're glad you're here.

If you are visiting with us, we invite you to worship, explore, ask questions, and help yourself to all our parish has to offer. Please take a moment to introduce yourself to an usher, a member of the clergy, or by filling out a guest card. Please visit stjohns-laf.org/guest or use the QR code.



Parish Announcements

Children's Chapel—continues Today

Children's Chapel is an opportunity to show the kids what being an Episcopalian is all about. Children's Chapel is open to any children registered in Sunday school. Registration is simple and can be done here www.stjohns-laf.org/cfregistration/.

- 9:00-9:15 a.m. – Godly Play drop off in 2nd floor Art room. Snack provided.
- 10:00-10:15 a.m. – Godly Play pick up, Children's Chapel drop off, and break period.
- 10:15 a.m. – Chapel begins. Children are returned to parents at the Peace.

Revamping "Coffee Hour"

As part of a project for the College for Congregational Development, St. John's is collecting information regarding coffee hour, and we need your help. Please take a few moments to answer the questions displayed in St. John's Commons. Look for the easels. Look in your email inbox for a parish-wide survey, too. Thanks in advance for your help.

Greater Lafayette Episcopal Youth Group

Youth in 6th through 12th grades are invited for fun and fellowship.

- Saturday, December 2, 10 a.m. – 2 p.m. Jubilee Christmas Shopping, etc. (Look for details in forthcoming emails)

For more information, go to www.stjohns-laf.org/youth or contact the church office.

Jubilee Christmas is Coming!

Jubilee Christmas will be in-person at St. John's, Lafayette on Saturday, December 9th. St. John's and Good Shepherd will host 40 families in two shifts. The first shift will be from 9–10:30 a.m. and the second shift will be from 10:30 a.m.–noon. In addition to monetary donations, we need volunteers to make Jubilee Christmas a success. Shoppers will need to start as soon as possible to buy the gifts for the children. The other volunteer opportunities will be for the day of Jubilee in December. Use the QR codes to sign up as a Shopper or as another Volunteer. If you would like to be put on the substitute list or for additional information, contact Mary Kay McCauley at mccauley.mk3@gmail.com or 765.490.0797.



Jubilee Christmas Shoppers 2023



Jubilee Christmas Sign Up 2023

Parish Prayer List

St. John's Cycle of Prayer—Cynthy Scruggs, Jeanine Shannon and her children Emma & Arran, Bill & Jan Shoemaker, Charlie Shook, Steve & Rachel Shook and their children Lydia, Harry, & Frances

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The leaders of our Communion—Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury; Michael, the Presiding Bishop; & Jennifer our Bishop

St. John's Leadership, Staff, Clergy, & Seminarian—The Vestry, Wardens, and Volunteer staff; Amanda, Eva, Michael, & Teresa; Jason, Bradley, & Carolin

Our Ministry Partners—The Diocese of Brasilia and their bishop Mauricio and the Diocese of Haiti and St. Andre's, Mithon; The Church of Nigeria, and for those struggling with food insecurity and housing instability and our parishes that provide aid to them.

This nation and all in authority—Joe, our President; Eric, our Governor; and Tony and John, our mayors and Erin, mayor-elect

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