

God's Abundance Abundant Community

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY
November 23, 2025
9:00 a.m. Livestream

GATHERING

PRELUDE

Voluntary in D Minor, Op. 5, No. 2 J. STANLEY (1712-1786)

RINGING OF THE BELLS

Order of St. John

WELCOME

Pastor Paul Baglyos

CALL TO WORSHIP

CORONATION

As music begins, the congregation turns and faces the Processional Cross.

INVITATION TO WORSHIP

Rulers in our world rely on power and military might.

But you, O God, are a different kind of king.

Kingdoms of our world control people through fear.

But yours is a different kind of kingdom.

Kings demand blind obedience,

You ask us to faithfully follow you.

Christ, you are our different kind of King, enabling us to say:

**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.

GATHERING HYMN

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION
ELW HYMN 634



1 All hail the pow'r of Je - sus' name! Let an - gels pros - trate fall;
2 O seed of Is - rael's cho - sen race now ran - somed from the fall,
3 Hail him, you heirs of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did call—
4 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the gall,



bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem and crown him Lord of all.
hail him who saves you by his grace and crown him Lord of all.
the God in - car - nate, man di - vine—and crown him Lord of all.
go spread your tro - phies at his feet and crown him Lord of all.



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GREETING

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

PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray. O God, our true life,
to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you,
we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us,
reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty,
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and
the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

WORD

PSALM 97

The Lord Is King

R. COONEY

Refrain sung twice at beginning of song. 1st time by cantor, thereafter all. Verses sung by cantor.



Verses Let earth rejoice, the Lord God reigns. Exult, you shores; be glad, you plains.
Justice serves as God's high throne, alleluia! **Refrain**

The skies proclaim that God is just. God's glory plain to all of us.
Unseen spirits, join our song, alleluia! **Refrain**

You alone bring hope to birth: greater you than all the earth.
Far beyond all other gods, alleluia! **Refrain**

LESSON

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Today's reading builds on the common, ancient Near Eastern metaphor of the king as shepherd. Judah's unjust rulers have caused their people, their "flock," to be scattered. Nevertheless, God will raise up a new and righteous shepherd who will rule a restored Judah.

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Ancient Words

L. DESHAZO

Ho-ly _ words long pre-served for our walk in this world, they re -

sound with God's own heart. O, let the _ an-cient words im - part.

Words of _ life, words of hope, give us strength, help us cope. In this

world wher-e'er we roam, an-cient _ words will guide us _ home.

REFRAIN

An-cient words, ev-er true chang-ing me and chang-ing you; We have _

come with o - pen hearts, O, let the _ an-cient words im - part.

Before the reading: The Holy Gospel according to Luke.**Glory to you, O Lord.**

GOSPEL READING

Luke 23:33-43

Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.

After the reading: The Gospel of our Lord.**Praise to you, O Christ.**

ACCLAMATION REPRISE

*Ancient Words**See previous, refrain only*

FIRST GLANCE

Jeremy Kaetzel

SERMON RESPONSE

Let the words of my mouth
and the meditation of our hearts be acceptable to you, O Lord,
our rock and our redeemer. Amen.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

Assisting Minister Allen Siverson

After each petition: Hear us, O God.
Your mercy is great.

PEACE

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

MEAL

OFFERTORY

*As we come together living out our faith in unity we trust in our God's loving care to provide for all we need.
 Let us respond generously to God's abiding love with our tithes and offerings. You are invited to visit our giving
 page link at <https://www.stjohnslc.org/giving> and leave an online offering.*

ST. JOHN'S YEAR IN PICTURES
 & OFFERTORY MUSIC

Holy Ground

G. DAVIS

First time sung by Cantor. Congregation will stand and sing when cued.

We _ are _ stand - ing _ _ _ _ _ on ho - ly ground, _ _ _ _ _

_ _ _ _ _ and _ I _ _ _ know that there are an - gels _ _ _ all a - round. _ _ _ _ _

_ _ _ _ _ Let _ us _ _ _ sing _ _ _ _ _ to Je - sus now; _ _ _ _ _

_ _ _ _ _ we _ are _ stand - ing in His pres - ence on ho - ly ground. _ _ _ _ _

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Let us pray. God of healing and hope,
you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things.
Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the
abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ
our Savior, now and forever. Amen.

GREAT THANKSGIVING

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 God thanks and praise.

PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS

Holy, holy, holy Lord, God of power and might,
heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

You are indeed holy, almighty and merciful God. You are most holy, and great is the majesty of your glory.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

For as often as we eat of this bread and drink from this cup, we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.

To you, O God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory in your holy church,
now and forever.

Amen.

LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

**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.**

AGNUS DEI

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace.

SELF-DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

*All are welcome here at God's table. We believe Christ is truly present in the bread and wine through the faith
of those who gather. Jesus invites you to this meal that imparts God's free gift of grace.*

You are invited to partake of the meal with the bread and juice/wine you prepared saying:

"The body of Christ given for me/us." And "The blood of Christ shed for me/us."

Blessing and Honor

ELW HYMN 854



1 Bless - ing and hon - or and glo - ry and pow'r, wis - dom and
 2 Let all the heav - ens sound forth Je - sus' name; let all the
 3 Ev - er as - cend - ing the song and the joy, ev - er de -
 4 Give we the glo - ry and praise to the Lamb! Take we the



rich - es and strength ev - er - more, be to the Lamb who our
 earth sing his glo - ry and fame. O - cean and moun - tain, stream,
 scend - ing the love from on high; bless - ing and hon - or and
 robe and the harp and the palm; sing we the song of the



bat - tle has won, whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the
 for - est, and flow'r ech - o his prais - es and tell of his
 glo - ry and praise—this is the theme of the hymns that we
 Lamb who was slain, dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to



throne; whose are the king - dom, the crown, and the throne!
 pow'r; ech - o his prais - es and tell of his pow'r.
 raise; this is the theme of the hymns that we raise.
 reign; dy - ing in weak - ness and ris - ing to reign!

Beautiful Savior

ELW HYMN 838



1 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, King of cre - a - tion,
 2 Fair are the mead - ows, fair are the wood - lands,
 3 Fair is the sun - shine, fair is the moon - light,
 4 Beau - ti - ful Sav - ior, Lord of the na - tions,

Music continues on next page...



Son of God and Son of Man!
robed in flow'rs of bloom - ing;
bright the spar - kling stars on high;
Son of God and Son of Man!

Tru - ly I'd love thee, tru - ly I'd serve thee,
Je - sus is fair - er, Je - sus is pur - er,
Je - sus shines bright - er, Je - sus shines pur - er,
Glo - ry and hon - or, praise, ad - o - ra - tion,

light of my soul, my joy, my crown.
he makes our sor - rowing spir - it sing.
than all the an - gels in the sky.
now and for - ev - er - more be thine!

SACRAMENTAL BLESSING

May the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

Let us pray. God of field and flower, wheat and grape,
you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world.
Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. Amen.

SENDING

SUNG BENEDICTION

Praise God From Whom

*Praise God from whom all blessings flow,
Praise Him all creatures here below,
Praise Him above, ye heav'nly host,
Paise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost,
Hallelujah, hallelujah, hallelujah, Amen.*

L. MASON
S. STANLEY



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born,
 3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
 4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
 5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
 whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
 and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
 No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
 but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace, serve the Lord,
 and live God's love in the world.

POSTLUDE

Grand Plein Jeu Continuo

J. BOYVIN (1649-1706)

SERVING IN WORSHIP

Presider	Pastor Paul Baglyos
Preacher	Pastor Jon Haug
Assisting Minister	Allen Siverson
First Glance	Jeremy Kaetzel
Lector	Mary Robinson
Organ	Dan Nguyen
Piano	Steven Johnson
Cantors in Rotation	Joel Barkel, Linda Bush, Heather Mercer, Kathryn Mercer, Eliseo Paniagua
Choirs of St. John's	
Altar Guild	Anne Smith
Eucharistic Servers	Lester Chew, Terry Battenberg
Greeters	Mark Carlson, Ingrid Garland
Ushers	Frank & Gail Graff-Blaha, David Byrd

ST. JOHN'S STAFF

Director of Missional Strategy	Rev. Paul Baglyos, Bridge Pastor
Director of Youth and Family	Rev. Jon Haug, Associate Pastor
Director of Worship & Music	Steven Johnson
Director of Communications and Community Engagement	Catherine Slabaugh
Director of Administration	Katherine Thorp
Associate Director of Volunteer Management	Joel Barkel
Associate Director of Worship & Music	Eliseo Paniagua
Property Staff	Matt Balara, Doug Droze, Julius Turner
Parish Nurse	Suzi Taylor
Organist	Dan Nguyen
Audio Technician	John Bogni
Video Technicians	Tim Reese, Esperanza Foft
Nursery Attendants	Amy Afoa, Helen Disho



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ST. JOHN'S MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Community Thanksgiving Meal**
Wednesday, November 26th | 12-3 p.m. | The Gathering Place
Prayers abound for the many hands and hearts who will bring the 28th annual free Community Thanksgiving Meal to life this week! Volunteer slots are full, but all are welcome to come enjoy a sit-down or to-go Thanksgiving meal.
- **Advent Festival**
Sunday, November 30th | 10:15 a.m. | The Gathering Place
Advent is just around the corner - to welcome in the season, we're hosting our annual Advent Festival! Come make your seasonal Yule Log, shop the Christmas market, make seasonal crafts, and welcome the Advent season!
- **What Is Blue Christmas? Adult Education Class**
Sunday, December 7th | 10:15 a.m. | Oehler Hall
All are invited to an Adult Education Class centered around Blue Christmas - a Sunday in part focused on grief and loss, with parts that are contemplative for those who are carrying pain or loss during this season of celebration. This class will be led by Parish Nurse Suzi Taylor.
- **Santa Lucia Service & Festival**
Sunday, December 14th | 4 p.m. | St. John's Lutheran Church
The annual and beloved Santa Lucia Worship Service and Festival is just around the corner! Following a breath-taking service featuring this year's High School Santa Lucia and her court, all are invited to walk to The Gathering Place for the Festival - complete with dancing, Scandinavian cookies, and joy-filled festivities!

TODAY AT ST. JOHN'S

- **Stories of Abundant Community** | 10:15 a.m. | Oehler Hall
Concluding today, the adult education class will center around stories of abundant community – welcoming a few St. John's congregants to share a story of God's abundance and abundant community in their lives. After listening to stories, folks will be invited to share their own in small groups!
- **Grapeful Jelly for Sale** | Sundays in November-December | 10:15 a.m. | Courtyard
Grapeful Jelly is for sale! Sales will happen Sundays at 10:15am in the Courtyard from tomorrow through December 21st, \$5 a jar. Proceeds from jelly sales will directly benefit the St. John's Snack Stop! Not a jelly person? This year, there's an opportunity to purchase jelly for an individual in need. Purchase a jar of jelly and we'll pass it along to our partners at the Central Downtown Food Basket who give food to people in need throughout Sacramento.