

*Christ the King Sunday*

*November 24, 2024*



WELCOME TO EMANUEL

If you have any questions or need any assistance, please ask an usher.

**ALL ARE WELCOME AT EMANUEL**

Recognizing that we live in a broken world, Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness. As members of Emanuel Lutheran Church and children of a loving and merciful God, we acknowledge that this reconciliation extends to people of any gender identity, gender expression, sexual orientation, age, race, culture, physical or mental ability, economic circumstances, relationship status, or any person that has ever experienced pain or oppression. Because members of different communities may have been excluded from the Church in the past, we wish to make explicit our welcome to all. It is for this purpose that we affirm that ALL people are welcome here, just as they are, contributing their individuality to the wholeness of the Body of Christ.



**SERVING TODAY**

Presiding Minister ..... Pastor Mark Olsen  
Worship Leader ..... Vicar Christine Pelfrey  
Assisting Minister..... Janice Favreau  
Reader..... Janice Favreau  
Communion Preparers.....Melanie Sinche  
Director of Music ..... Jonathan Reuning-Scherer

**EMANUEL MUSICIANS**

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**AV TECHNICIANS**

Paul Christianson, David Counterman, Baker Wainscoat

**ALTAR FLOWERS**

Given in memory of the Rev. Eugene Mitchell, loving husband and father, by Eileen and family

*Though not expected, when it happens, applause is a spontaneous expression of our thanksgiving to God for the gifts of music and of musicians that enrich our lives and enhance our worship.*

***Soli deo gloria – Glory to God alone***

## INTRODUCTION

*Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.*

## PRELUDE

*Suite Gothique, Op. 25*  
IV. Toccata

Léon Boëllmann

## WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

### \*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God,  
our refuge, our delight, our beginning and our end.

C: **Amen.**

P: Let us come in truth before the one who loves us and has freed us from our sin.

*Silence is kept for reflection.*

P: Eternal One, robed in majesty and mercy,

C: **we confess that sin has taken hold of us and we are complicit in its power.**

**We are disturbed in spirit and our hearts cannot rest. Unbind us and set us free.**

**Lead us again to the waters of rebirth, that we may live just and generous lives**

**for the good of your world and the care of our neighbors, following in the servant**

**way of Jesus. Amen.**

P: These words are trustworthy and true:

Christ bore our sins once, for all, on the cross, swallowing up death forever.

For his sake, you are † forgiven and God remembers your sin no more.

Let your heart be glad again, and rejoice in your salvation.

C: **Amen.**

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.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–1894, sts. 1–3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 4  
 Music: DIADEMATA, George J. Elvey, 1816–1893

**\*GREETING**

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.**

**\*PRAYER OF THE DAY**

P: Almighty and ever-living God,

C: **you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**

*The children are now dismissed for Sunday School.*

**FIRST READING: DANIEL 7:9-10, 13-14**

*To the community for whom this passage was written, it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: It shall end. The Ancient One, who is judge, will call all nations to account and will give dominion to "one like a human being," the Messiah.*

<sup>9</sup> As I watched,  
thrones were set in place,  
and an Ancient One took his throne,  
his clothing was white as snow,  
and the hair of his head like pure wool;  
his throne was fiery flames,  
and its wheels were burning fire.

<sup>10</sup> A stream of fire issued  
and flowed out from his presence.  
A thousand thousands served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.  
The court sat in judgment,  
and the books were opened.

<sup>13</sup> As I watched in the night visions,  
I saw one like a human being  
coming with the clouds of heaven.  
And he came to the Ancient One

and was presented before him.

<sup>14</sup>To him was given dominion  
and glory and kingship,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages  
should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion  
that shall not pass away,  
and his kingship is one  
that shall never be destroyed.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## **SECOND READING: REVELATION 1:4B-8**

*The book of Revelation begins by celebrating the Almighty God, who spans all of time. Similarly, Jesus is celebrated as the firstborn from the dead who rules over the world's rulers. He is the one whose return we eagerly await.*

<sup>4b</sup> 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, <sup>5</sup> 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, <sup>6</sup> and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

<sup>7</sup> 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.

<sup>8</sup> "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

R: Word of God, Word of Life.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## \*GOSPEL ACCLAMATION



Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al-le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

## \*GOSPEL: JOHN 18:33-37

*In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.*

L: The holy gospel according to John.

C: **Glory to you, O Lord.**

<sup>33</sup> Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" <sup>35</sup> 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?" <sup>36</sup> 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." <sup>37</sup> 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."

L: The gospel of the Lord.

C: **Praise to you, O Christ.**

## SERMON

Vicar Christine Pelfrey

1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -  
 2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es  
 3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his  
 4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners  
 5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar

ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from  
 throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -  
 love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es  
 leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -  
 hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with

shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.  
 fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.  
 shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.  
 ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.  
 songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674-1748, alt.  
 Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793



## **\*APOSTLES' CREED**

A: Let us join together in professing our faith using the words of the Apostles' Creed.

**C: 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**

*After each petition*

A: Merciful God,

**C: receive our prayer.**

## **\*PEACE**

P: The peace of Christ be with you always.

**C: And also with you.**

*We offer each other a sign of God's peace.*

## OFFERING MUSIC

*Let All the World In Every Corner Sing* Ralph Vaughan Williams

Emanuel Choir

arr. Wood

1 Let all the world in every corner sing,  
"My God and King!"

The heav'ns are not too high,  
God's praise may thither fly;  
the earth is not too low,  
God's praises there may grow.

Let all the world in every corner sing,  
"My God and King!"

2 Let all the world in every corner sing,  
"My God and King!"

The church with psalms must shout:  
no door can keep them out.

But, more than all, the heart  
must bear the longest part.

Let all the world in every corner sing,  
"My God and King!"

## PRESENTATION OF THE GIFTS



*We offer our gifts – our time, our talent, and our treasure - to God,  
in thanksgiving for all that God has given us.*

*To make your gift online, scan the code using your  
phone's camera or QR scanner app.*

## \*OFFERING PRAYER

A: Lord Jesus, our portion and our cup

**C: you offered yourself in love for the world, and in this meal you nourish us with your life. Fill us with your abundance, that we may feed the hungry and welcome the stranger, trusting in your name. Amen.**

## \*THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

P: The Lord be with you.

**C: And also with you.**

P: Lift up your hearts.

**C: We lift them to the Lord.**

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

**C: It is right to give our thanks and praise**

P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...we praise your name and join their unending hymn:

# \*HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

The first system of musical notation for the hymn. It consists of a treble and bass staff in G major (one sharp). The melody is in the treble staff, and the accompaniment is in the bass staff. The lyrics are: "Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,"

ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,

The second system of musical notation. The melody continues in the treble staff. The lyrics are: "ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow'r and might,"

heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry.

The third system of musical notation. The melody continues in the treble staff. The lyrics are: "heav-en and earth are full, full of your glo - ry."

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

The fourth system of musical notation. The melody continues in the treble staff. The lyrics are: "Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est."

Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

The fifth system of musical notation. The melody continues in the treble staff. The lyrics are: "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 sixth system of musical notation, which concludes the piece. The melody continues in the treble staff. The lyrics are: "Ho - san - na in the high - est, ho - san - na in the high - est."

**\*EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER**

**\*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.**

**\*INVITATION TO COMMUNION**

**All Are Welcome at the Table!**

P: Behold, God is making all things new. Take your place in the new creation.

***This is the Lord's Table and all are welcome to receive the bread & wine of communion.***

*Gluten-free wafers are served by the communion assistant in the middle  
and white grape juice is available in each communion tray, as needed.*

*The ushers will guide you out of your pew down the center aisle to the front of the church. Once  
you receive communion, please return to your seat by the side aisles. If you would like to  
receive communion at your seat, please let an usher know. If, for any reason, you choose not to  
receive the bread and wine, we invite you to come forward for a blessing.*

## \*LAMB OF GOD

Lamb of God, you take a - way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on us,  
mer - cy on us, mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you  
take a-way the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace, grant us peace.

## COMMUNION MUSIC

*Pocket Grooves II. Samai*

Gene Koshinski

Morgan Pope, bassoon

Honoka Masuyama, percussion

## \*POST COMMUNION BLESSING

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

## \*PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

A: Faithful God,

C: **you have spread before us a feast of rich food and drink in the body and blood of your Son. Now send us out to labor with you, in service to the world you have made, and among the people you have made your home, in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

## \*BLESSING

P: The Ancient One, enthroned, the Crucified One, now risen,  
the Indwelling One, poured out, ✠ bless you now and forever.

C: Amen.

SENDING HYMN

He is Exalted

He is ex-alt-ed, the King is ex-alt-ed on high; I will praise\_\_\_ him.

He is ex - alt - ed, for - ev - er ex - alt - ed, and I will praise his

name. Je - sus is Lord, for-ev-er his truth shall reign;

hea - ven and earth re - joice in his ho - ly name.

He is ex - alt - ed, the King is ex - alt - ed on high.

**\*DISMISSAL**

P: Go in peace. Encourage one another in Christ.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

## LIVING OUT OUR DISCIPLESHIP – WAYS TO HELP AND SERVE



**The Emanuel Food Pantry** serves hundreds of meals each month and helps to support our neighbors with basic needs. Thank you to all who have donated to help this cause! Your continued support is needed and appreciated. This month, we continue our collection for Thanksgiving. For November, we are asking for cooking oil and paper towels.

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### BE PART OF EMANUEL'S WORSHIP LEADERSHIP

There are many ways to serve in worship and all are welcome to volunteer! Please use the corresponding QR codes to sign up for a service. For assistance signing up, please contact Morgan in the church office. 860-525-0894 | [adminassist@emanuelhartford.org](mailto:adminassist@emanuelhartford.org)



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Parishoners of all ages are welcome!

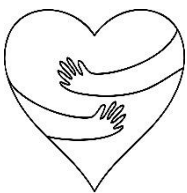
### FELLOWSHIP OPPORTUNITIES



**Host Coffee Hour**  
Individuals, ministry teams, or other organizations are invited to sponsor our after-service coffee hour. Contact Monique Jennings at [moniquegray400@gmail.com](mailto:moniquegray400@gmail.com).



**Sponsor Altar Flowers** in memory or honor of someone. Your donation of \$75 will cover the cost of the flowers.



**Prayer Shawls** are available in a basket in the Narthex for anyone to take for themselves or to give away. Baby blankets and a larger supply of shawls are available in the lounge of the Parish Building. Please be in touch with a member of the Prayer Shawl Ministry Team (Bobbee Canfield, Lynne Strecker, and Lynn Sherman) with questions.

*Please remember the following individuals in your prayers.*

Connor Mansbach † Michele Brennan † Karin Gottier † Bert Johnson † Betsyann Carter †  
Anne Louise Swanson † Lee Sherman † Jennings-Marzett Family † Mckenna Jobes †  
Brooklyn King † Elaine Wilson † Vito Vitrano † Monique Jennings † Rae Ann Gremel †  
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