St. John's Reformed Church
Christ the King Sunday
November 22, 2026

*(Please join responsively by speaking aloud the **bold** sections)*

Pre-Prelude
Announcements & Hospitality
Prelude

Our Approach to God

Votum: Fill our worship with grace, Lord Jesus Christ, that every thought, word, and deed may be acceptable to you, our Rock and our Redeemer.

*Call to Worship:

O come, let us sing to the Lord;
let us make a joyful noise to the rock of our salvation!
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us make a joyful noise to him with songs of praise!
For the Lord is a great God, and a great King above all gods.
In his hand are the depths of the earth; the heights of the mountains are his also.
The sea is his, for he made it, and the dry land, which his hands have formed.
O Come, let us worship and bow down,
let us kneel before the Lord, our Maker!
For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture, and the sheep of his hand.

*Hymn: ***#220 At the Name of Jesus v.1-4***

Salutation & Prayer of Invocation
Call and Prayer of Confession

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us.

Moment of Silence

Kyrie Eleison ***"Lord have mercy upon us: Christ have mercy upon us; Lord have mercy upon us."***
Assurance of Pardon

Summary of the Law: Proverbs 3:5-6
"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths."
May the Spirit guide us to be obedient to this Word. Amen.
*Gloria Patri
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, Amen, Amen.
Musical Meditation

The Word of God In Proclamation

Prayer for
Lesson from the New Testament: Ephesians 1:15-23
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**
Lesson from the Psalms: Psalm 95:1-7a
This is the Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

*Hymn***: #824 The King of Love My Shepherd Is v.1-6***

*Lesson from the Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46
This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, O Christ.**
Sermon
Prayer for Blessing

Our Response to God's Grace

*Affirmation of Faith: Apostle's Creed
I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth and in Jesus Christ, his 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 into hell. The third day he rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and is seated at

the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From there 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 (*The Church universal, that exists in all times and places.)

*The Peace: The peace of Christ be with you. **And also , with you.**
The Offering

*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
*Prayer of Dedication
God of wonder, we offer you these humble gifts, signs of your goodness and mercy. Receive them with our gratitude, that through us all people may know the riches of your love in Christ Jesus. Amen.
Prayers for the People of God

The Lord's Prayer *(use "trespasses")*

Prayer Response *Threefold Amen* ***Amen, Amen, Amen***

*Hymn***: #482 Soon and Very Soon, v.1-4***

*Benediction

*Congregational Amen **"Go Now in Peace."**

Go now in peace. Never be afraid.
God will go with us each hour of every day.
Go now in faith steadfast strong and true.
Know he will guide us in all we do.
Go now in love, and show we believe.
Reach out to others so all the world can see.
God will be there watching from above.
Go now in peace, in faith and in love.

*Postlude *Indicates congregation to stand if able.

