

Christ the King Sunday

November 24, 2024

*We Profess Our Faith: Our World Belongs to God

As followers of Jesus Christ, living in this world—
which some seek to control, and others view with despair—
we declare with joy and trust:

our world belongs to God!

**From the beginning,
through all the crises of our times,**

until the kingdom fully comes,

God keeps covenant forever:

Our world belongs to God!

God is King! **Let the earth be glad!**

Christ is victor: **his rule has begun!**

The Spirit is at work: **creation is renewed!**

Hallelujah! Praise the Lord!

Jesus ascended in triumph,
raising our humanity to the heavenly throne.

All authority, glory, and sovereign power are given to him.

There he hears our prayers

and pleads our cause before the Father.

Blessed are all who take refuge in him.

Our hope for a new creation is not tied to what humans can do,

for we believe that one day

every challenge to God's rule will be crushed.

His kingdom will fully come,

and our Lord will rule.

Come, Lord Jesus, come.

Sending

*Benediction

*Closing Song: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

LUYH 223:1,2,4



Worship Participants

Pastor: Dr. Joel Kok ✦ Organ/Piano: Donna Brue ✦ Viola: Naomi Lief

Worship Leaders: Tammy Lief, Ryan Zonnefeld

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Hearing Assistance

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John 18:37

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."

+Ordinary time refers to the Sundays between Pentecost and Advent, a season in the liturgical year of growth in the life of the church.

Gathering

Welcome

*Call to Worship: Psalm 24:7-8, 10

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Lift up your heads, you gates;
be lifted up, you ancient doors,
that the King of glory may come in.

Who is this King of glory?

**The Lord Almighty—
he is the King of glory.**

*Song: “Rejoice, the Lord Is King”

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*Opening Prayer

*God Greet Us, We Greet One Another

*Song: “Behold Our God”

**1. Who has held the oceans in His hands?
Who has numbered every grain of sand?**

Kings and nations tremble at His voice. All creation rises to rejoice.

**2. Who has given counsel to the Lord?
Who can question any of His words?**

**Who can teach the One Who knows all things?
Who can fathom all His wondrous deeds?**

Chorus:

**Behold our God, seated on His throne. Come, let us adore Him!
Behold our King! Nothing can compare, come, let us adore Him!**

**3. Who has felt the nails upon His hands,
bearing all the guilt of sinful man?
God eternal, humbled to the grave,
Jesus, Savior, risen now to reign! (to chorus)**

Bridge:

Men: You will reign forever!

Women: Let Your glory fill the earth! (Repeat)

Renewal

Prayer of Confession

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

Silence

Mighty and merciful God, raise us to acclaim Jesus as ruler of all,
that we may be loyal ambassadors,
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ,
in whose name we pray. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon: “You Are My King (Amazing Love)”

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Invitation to Giving

*Offering our gifts is an important part of our response to God—connecting our worship
with a life of discipleship—and is a way to participate in the ministry of Covenant CRC
here in this building and around the world. Offering boxes are available, or check your
bulletin announcements for more ways to give.*

Word

Children In Worship Dismissal: “I Will Hide Your Word Inside My Heart”

LUYH 761:1

*Children ages 3 years old through kindergarten are invited to a time of worship designed
especially for young children and can gather in the fellowship hall with the helpers. Our
young guests are welcome to participate in this service.*

Prayer for Illumination

Scripture Reading: John 18:28-40

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Message: “Truth and Listening”

Pastor Joel Kok

Response

*Song of Response: “You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd”

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Prayers for the Church and World