

**The Season** The Season of End Time brings the Church Year to a close. During this season we focus on Reformation, Last Judgment, Saints Triumphant, and Christ the King. This year during the season we will focus on *The Word of God!*

**The Sunday** Never could there be a king like Christ, our king. Beyond all comparison is the rule he exercises in time and in eternity. Incomparably great therefore is also our joy in worshipping him even now as we await his triumphant return to transform our worship in faith and under the cross to worship in sight and in glory. *The Word of God! It points us to a king unlike any other*

**Opening Hymn**

*Crown Him with Many Crowns* Hymn 341



1 Crown him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on his  
 2 Crown him the Lord of love— Be - hold his hands and  
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the  
 4 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a -



throne; Hark how the heav'n - ly an - them drowns All  
 side, Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In  
 grave And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For  
 bove; Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The



mu - sic but its own. A - wake, my soul, and  
 beau - ty glo - ri - fied. No an - gel in the  
 those he came to save. His glo - ries now we  
 won - drous name of Love. Crown him with man - y



sing Of him who died for thee, And hail him  
 sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But down - ward  
 sing Who died and rose on high, Who died e -  
 crowns As thrones be - fore him fall; Crown him, ye



as thy match-less King Through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 bends his won-d'ring eye At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.  
 kings, with man - y crowns For he is King of all.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800–94, st. 1-2, 4, abr., alt.; Godfrey Thring, 1823–1903, st. 3.  
 Tune: DIADEMATA (SM D) George J. Elvey, 1816–93.

*Stand*

**Morrison Zion  
 Evangelical  
 Lutheran Church**

Wisconsin Evangelical Lutheran  
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Our mission is to  
**Glorify God**  
 as we  
**Gather**  
 around the **Gospel**  
 to help people  
**Grow**  
 in the **Gospel**  
 and  
**Go**  
 with the **Gospel**

**Welcome!** We thank God that you have joined us at worship today.

Restrooms are located in the basement. Hearing loop headphones and Large Print Hymnals are available from an usher.

If your children need to leave worship, please take them to the basement. A TV broadcasts the service in the basement.

Today we gather together in the presence of God. He is present among us in a special way through his Word and Sacrament. We humbly acknowledge our sin and rejoice in the good news of forgiveness through the life and death of Christ. This is the focus of our worship.

M: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

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## CONFESSION OF SINS

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M: We have come into the presence of God, who created us to love and serve him as his dear children. But we have disobeyed him and deserve only his wrath and punishment. Therefore, let us confess our sins to him and plead for his mercy.

C: **Merciful Father in heaven, I am altogether sinful from birth. In countless ways I have sinned against you and do not deserve to be called your child. But trusting in Jesus, my Savior, I pray: Have mercy on me according to your unfailing love. Cleanse me from my sin, and take away my guilt.**

M: God, our heavenly Father, has forgiven all your sins. By the perfect life and innocent death of our Lord Jesus Christ, he has removed your guilt forever. You are his own dear child. May God give you strength to live according to his will.

C: **Amen.**

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## PRAYER AND PRAISE

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M: In the peace of forgiveness, let us praise the Lord.

### Oh, Taste and See



C: Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good. Bless - ed are



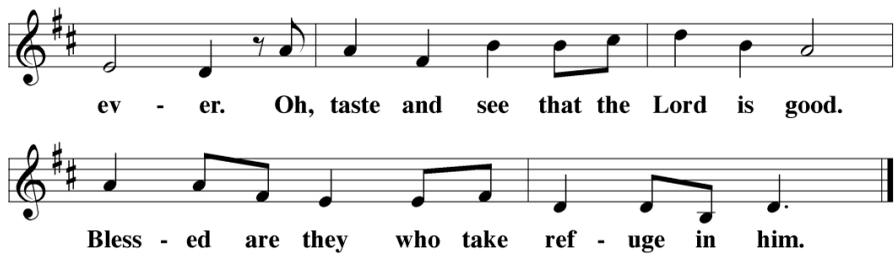
they who take ref - uge in him. Your Word, O Lord, is e -



ter - nal; it stands firm in the heav -



ens. Your faith - ful - ness con - tin - ues for -



ev - er. Oh, taste and see that the Lord is good.  
Bless - ed are they who take ref - uge in him.

**Prayer of the Day**

**M:** Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C:** Amen

*Be Seated*

**THE WORD**

**Junior Choir**

*You Are Holy* (8:00)

**First Lesson**

**Daniel 7:13-14**

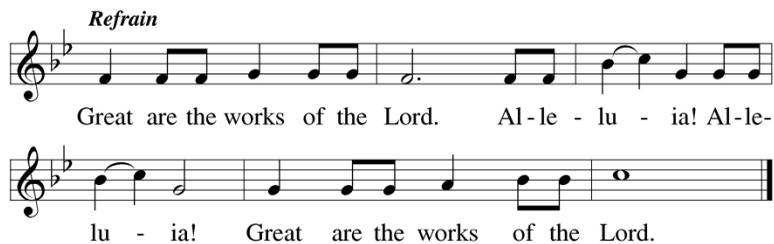
Christ has always been the one center and the entire focus of all history. That was true in Daniel's time and will still be true at the end of time. Thus in a very real sense there is no other king—never has been, never will be. As he is, so is his kingdom. Oh, how foolish those little men, who strut their moment on history's stage and imagine that history is about them. Oh, how foolish I am when I do the same! But to be called by the gospel in his kingdom and under his gracious rule, then to worship and serve him in his kingdom, that's what life is about! That alone gives life true focus, true purpose and noble and glorious end.

<sup>13</sup>“In my vision at night I looked, and there before me was one like a son of man, coming with the clouds of heaven. He approached the Ancient of Days and was led into his presence. <sup>14</sup>He was given authority, glory and sovereign power; all nations and peoples of every language worshiped him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that will not pass away, and his kingdom is one that will never be destroyed. (NIV)

**Psalm of the Day** We will sing the refrain and read the verses

**Psalm 45**

*Refrain*



Great are the works of the Lord. Al-le - lu - ia! Al-le-lu - ia!  
Great are the works of the Lord.

My heart is stirred by a noble theme\*  
as I recite my verses for the King.

You are the most excellent of men,\*  
and your lips have been anointed with grace.

Gird your sword upon your side, O Mighty One;\*  
clothe yourself with splendor and majesty.

In your majesty ride forth victoriously;\*  
let your right hand display awesome deeds.

*Refrain*

Your throne, O God, will last for ever and ever;\*  
a scepter of justice will be the scepter of your kingdom.

You love righteousness and hate wickedness;\*  
therefore God has anointed you with the oil of joy.

I will perpetuate your memory through all generations;\*  
therefore the nations will praise you for ever and ever.

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son\*  
and to the Holy Spirit,  
as it was in the beginning,\*  
is now, and will be forever. Amen.**

*Refrain*

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## Second Lesson

## Revelation 1:4b-8

Of all the magnificent ways in which Christ could have shown his glory, he picked this one: to redeem us by his suffering and death that we should live with him for all eternity! All by itself that defines the nature of grace. How we long to see him as he is, to perfectly worship him whose greatest triumph was the cross for us and for our salvation! Some day we shall; for he has promised it, he who is our King, the center of all that can be spoken that is true and good, the ruler of time and eternity.

Grace and peace to you from him who is, and who was, and who is to come, and from the seven spirits before his throne, <sup>5</sup> and from Jesus Christ, who is the faithful witness, the firstborn from the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, <sup>6</sup> and has made us to be a kingdom and priests to serve his God and Father—to him be glory and power for ever and ever! Amen.

<sup>7</sup>“Look, he is coming with the clouds,”[Daniel 7:13]

and “every eye will see him,  
even those who pierced him”;

and all peoples on earth “will mourn because of him.”[Zechariah 12:10]

So shall it 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.” (NIV)

## Verse of the Day

M: Alleluia. I am the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End.  
Alleluia. (Revelation 22:13)

*Stand*

## Gospel

**John 18:33-37**

As the king is like none other, so his kingdom is also like none other. Ruled over by a king who even now appears so lowly and powerless, the kingdom is concerned with what is important to the king. And what is that? The truth! For it is by truth of the gospel, not the power of this world and its rulers, that he saves. Unconcerned with his appearance of impotence and unconcerned as well with our own appearance in weakness, we press forward to hear the truth, to hold to it, to share it and to die in its possession for life eternal.

<sup>33</sup> Pilate then went back inside the palace, summoned Jesus and asked him, “Are you the king of the Jews?”

<sup>34</sup> “Is that your own idea,” Jesus asked, “or did others talk to you about me?”

<sup>35</sup> “Am I a Jew?” Pilate replied. “Your own people and chief priests handed you over to me. What is it you have done?”

<sup>36</sup> Jesus said, “My kingdom is not of this world. If it were, my servants would fight to prevent my arrest by the Jewish leaders. But now my kingdom is from another place.”

<sup>37</sup> “You are a king, then!” said Pilate.

Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. In fact, the reason I was born and came into the world is to testify to the truth. Everyone on the side of truth listens to me.” (NIV)

M: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**C: Praise be to you, O Christ!**

*Be Seated*

## Hymn of the Day

*The Head that Once Was Crowned* Hymn 217:1-3



1 The head that once was crowned with thorns Is  
2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords Is  
3 The joy of all who dwell a - bove, The



crowned with glo - ry now; A roy - al di - a -  
his, is his by right, The King of kings and  
joy of all be - low To whom he man - i -



dem a - dorns The might - y vic - tor's brow.  
Lord of lords And heav'n's e - ter - nal light,  
fests his love And grants his name to know.

Text: Thomas Kelly, 1769–1855.

Tune: ST. MAGNUS (CM) Jeremiah Clarke, c. 1674–1707.

*Stand*

### **Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,**

**I believe 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 Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

### **Prayer of the Church**

**M:** To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power for ever and ever!

**C:** **Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory.**

**M:** You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise, for you created all things and by your will they were created and have their being.

**C:** **Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!**

**M:** You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased us for God. From every tribe and language and people and nation, you have called us into your kingdom and have made us priests to serve you, our God and Father.

**C:** **Help us live as royal priests.**

**M:** We give thanks to you, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because you have searched for us and found us. Lead us to the green pastures and quiet waters of your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.

**C:** **Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.**

M: We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign. Come with your mighty power to break and defeat every evil plan and purpose of the devil, of the ungodly influences and ideas of the world, and of our own sinful nature. Use your power to calm the unrest among nations and peoples so that your kingdom may spread and grow.

**C: Strengthen our confidence in knowing that your kingdom will never be destroyed.**

M: O Christ our King, you have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve you more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of your saving love.

**C: Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with his glory.**

*Special prayers and intercessions may follow.*

M: Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

*Silent prayer.*

M: Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords.

**C: The Lord God Almighty reigns! Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! Amen.**

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## **Lord's Prayer**

**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.**

M: O Lord God, our heavenly Father, pour out the Holy Spirit on your faithful people. Keep us strong in your grace and truth, protect and comfort us in all temptation, and bestow on us your saving peace, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen**

## **Benediction**

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another.  
Serve the Lord with gladness.  
The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.  
The Lord look on you with favor and give you peace.

**C: Amen**

*Be Seated*

**Hymn**

*Come, Now, Almighty King* Hymn 193:1-2

1 Come, now, al - might - y King; Help us your  
2 Come, now, in - car - nate Word; Put on your  
name to sing; Help us to praise. Fa - ther all -  
might - y sword; Our prayer at - tend. Come and your  
glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
peo - ple bless, And give your Word suc - cess;  
Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
Grant us your right - eous - ness, Sav - ior and Friend.

Text: Unknown, c. 1757, abr., alt.

Tune: ITALIAN HYMN (664 6664) Felice de Giardini, 1716-96, alt.

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