

St. Luke's Episcopal Church

The Feast of Christ the King

22 November 2020 ✠ 10:00 A.M.

Holy Eucharist

The Reverend Michael L. Delk, *Celebrant*
The Reverend Allison Caudill, *Preacher*

THE WORD OF GOD

Organ Voluntary

“Jesus Christ, our strong salvation”

J. S. Bach

Opening Hymn

“Crown him with many crowns”

Hymnal, 494

Descant

5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en-throned a - bove;

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and
3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and
4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who
5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en-throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

crown him to whom is given the won-drous name of Love.

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -
2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who
3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his
4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran-somed sin - ners slain, now
5 him the King, to whom is given the won-drous name of Love. Crown

Crown him with man-y crowns, as thrones be-fore him

fall, crown him, ye kings, for he is King of all.

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

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The Opening Acclamation

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Celebrant Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
People And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever. Amen.

The Gloria: S-280 in the Hymnal 1982

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and

peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly

King, al - mighty God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we

give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa - ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you

take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy

on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa - ther: re -

ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,

you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most

The musical score is written on ten staves in G major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It features various musical notations including eighth, quarter, and half notes, rests, and beams. Trills are indicated by a '3' over a group of notes on the fifth staff. The lyrics are printed below the staves, with some words hyphenated across lines.



The Salutation & Collect of the Day

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. ***Amen.***

The Lesson

Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

For thus says the Lord GOD: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord GOD. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice. Therefore, thus says the Lord GOD to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I

will judge between sheep and sheep. I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the LORD, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the LORD, have spoken.

The Word of the Lord.

People **Thanks be to God.**

Psalm 95:1-7a

Plainsong

¹ Come, let us sing to the LORD; *

let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.

² Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *

and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

³ For the LORD is a great God, *

and a great King above all gods.

⁴ In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *

and the heights of the hills are his also.

⁵ The sea is his, for he made it, *

and his hands have molded the dry land.

⁶ Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *

and kneel before the LORD our Maker.

⁷ For he is our God, and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand. *

Oh, that today you would hearken to his voice!

The Sequence “The head that once was crowned with thorns” Hymnal, 483

1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
2 The high - est place that heaven af - fords is his, is his by right,
3 the joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low,
4 To them the cross with all its shame, with all its grace is given;
5 They suf - fer with their Lord be - low, they reign with him a - bove,

1 a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
2 the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heaven's e - ter - nal Light;
3 to whom he man - i - fests his love and grants his name to know.
4 their name, an ev - er - last - ing name; their joy, the joy of heaven.
5 their prof - it and their joy to know the mys - tery of his love.

6 The cross he bore is life and health,
though shame and death to him:
his people's hope, his people's wealth,
their everlasting theme.

Words: Thomas Kelly (1769-1855)

Music: *St. Magnus*, melody from *Divine Companion*, 1707; harm. William Henry Monk (1823-1889), after John Pyke Hullah (19th cent.)

The Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

The people remain standing. The Celebrant says

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People Glory to you, Lord Christ.

"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry

and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And the king will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

After the reading, the Celebrant says

The Gospel of the Lord.

People **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Nicene Creed

Said by all, standing

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father. Through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven: by the power of the Holy Spirit he became Incarnate from the Virgin Mary, and was made man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son. With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified. He has spoken through the Prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People, Form VI

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The Leader and People pray responsively

In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.

Silence

For all people in their daily life and work;

For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.

For Donald our President, Andy our Governor, and Neil & Greg our Mayors, and for this community, the nation, and the world;

For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.

For the just and proper use of your creation;

For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.

For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;

For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.

For the peace and unity of the Church of God;

For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.

For Justin, the Archbishop of Canterbury, Michael, our Presiding Bishop, Terry, our Bishop, for Michael, Allison, Anne, Art, and Jim, our clergy and all bishops and other ministers;

For all who serve God in his Church.

For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. For **Al, Allen, Amy, Ann, Annie, Beecher, Bethann, Bill, Braxton, Bud, Calvin Riley, Carol, Charles, Christy, Dave, David, Diana, E.J., Eleanor, Elizabeth, Gene, Hugh, Ira, Jackie, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Karen, Kelly, Ken, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Mary, Matt, Meg, Mike, Milo, Monica, Nancy, Nina (Nine-ah), Patricia, Phil, Rob, Ronald, Sandy, Stefanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie,**

Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trish, Ursula, Vicki, Walt, Whitney, Wynn; for the men and women of our armed forces, especially Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Sinclair, Steve.

Silence

Hear us, Lord;

For your mercy is great.

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life.

Silence

We will exalt you, O God our King;

And praise your Name for ever and ever.

We pray for all who have died, . . . , that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Silence

Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;

Who put their trust in you.

We pray to you also for the forgiveness of our sins.

Silence may be kept.

Leader and People

Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father; in your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone; and so uphold us by your Spirit that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your Name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

The Peace

All stand. The celebrant says to the people

People The peace of the Lord be always with you.
And also with you.

THE HOLY COMMUNION

Offertory Anthem

“Lift up your heads, O ye gates”

William Mathias

(1934-1992)

The Great Thanksgiving: Eucharistic Prayer A

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Celebrant The Lord be with you.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Lift up your hearts.

People **We lift them to the Lord.**

Celebrant Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant It is right and a good and joyful thing, always and everywhere to give thanks to you, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth.

Here the Celebrant adds a Proper Preface

Therefore we praise you, joining our voices with Angels and Archangels and with all the company of heaven, who for ever sing this hymn to proclaim the glory of your Name.

Celebrant and people

Sanctus: S-129 in the Hymnal 1982

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est.

The Celebrant continues

Holy and gracious Father: In your infinite love you made us for yourself; and, when we had fallen into sin and become subject to evil and death, you, in your mercy, sent Jesus Christ, your only and eternal Son, to share our human nature, to live and die as one of us, to reconcile us to you, the God and Father of all. He stretched out his arms upon the cross, and offered himself, in obedience to your will, a perfect sacrifice for the whole world.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread; and when he had given thanks to you, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, and said, "Take, eat: This is my Body, which is given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine; and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said, "Drink this, all of you: This is my Blood of the new Covenant, which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins. Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me."

Therefore we proclaim the mystery of faith:

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

The Celebrant continues

We celebrate the memorial of our redemption, O Father, in this sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving. Recalling his death, resurrection, and ascension, we offer you these gifts.

Sanctify them by your Holy Spirit to be for your people the Body and Blood of your Son, the holy food and drink of new and unending life in him. Sanctify us also that we may faithfully receive this holy Sacrament, and serve you in unity, constancy, and peace; and at the last day, bring us with all your saints into the joy of your eternal kingdom.

Final Hymn**“Jesus shall reign where’er the sun”****Hymnal, 544**

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

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

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

Words: Isaac Watts (1674-1748), alt. Music: *Duke Street*, John Hatton (d. 1793)

The Dismissal*People***Thanks be to God.****Postlude****“Helmsley”****James Vivian**

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Do you have questions about the Christian faith or the Episcopal Church?

Join us this Sunday or next, at 11:15 AM for a FaceBook meeting where you can share your questions. Go to: <https://www.facebook.com/StLukesAnchorage>

To see our video go to :

<https://www.facebook.com/StLukesAnchorage/videos/246044036847885>

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Christmas Memorials

We continue our tradition of decorating the church for Christmas with memorial poinsettias and large wreaths, as well as memorializing loved ones through contributions for special Christmas music. Due to COVID, we can not leave out the memorial envelopes, so Dawn will send out an email that you can respond to, or email her at admin@stlukesanchorage.org. Please indicate if it is **in MEMORY of** or **in THANKSGIVING of** someone and list their names clearly. **The deadline to receive all memorials is Sunday, December 6.**

Poinsettia Memorials – the cost for poinsettias is \$9 per plant with the deadline for ordering is Sunday, December 6.

Wreath Memorials – We will again be hanging large wreaths inside the church on the stone walls between the windows. The cost for each wreath is \$100. We hope parishioners will help subsidize this decorating effort by donating for a wreath, or part of one, in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving. The deadline for this memorial is Sunday, December 6.

Music Memorials – Give to our wonderful music program as God plants in your heart. You may give throughout the year to the music program, but in order to get your memorial in print, the deadline is Sunday, December 6.

Annual Free Coat Exchange

This is the 9th Annual Free Coat Exchange program that St. Luke's has participated in.

Ten years ago, Louisville business owner Ted Loebenberg turned the idea of giving winter coats away on the biggest shopping day of the year into an annual community event. This year the Free Coat Exchange returns on the day after Thanksgiving. Last year, 4000 coats were collected and given to those in need. St. Luke's serves as a collection point. Through the generosity of St. Luke's parishioners, we have donated over 1000 coats during the past 9 years.

Because of the Pandemic protocol restrictions, this year presents a challenge with collection. We will still have a collection box in the 'ambulatory' handicap entrance of the church. But in addition, we now have a collection box on the back porch of the Lyman House office building. This porch is not locked, and is available anytime for a drop-off. **Last drop-off day is November 24th.**

Wednesday Morning Bible Study

Our Wednesday morning Bible study Zoom, starting at 9:45, we begin on The Gospel of Matthew, led by Father Michael. Please check your email for the invite.

Thursday Night Bible Study

The Basics of the Bible Study continues on Thursday evenings with Mother Allison! We are using The Path to guide our study, but all you need is a Bible and access to the internet to join us. We are gathering every Thursday evening from 6:45-7:45 on Zoom to discuss the foundational stories of our faith and to explore how these stories connect to our own journeys. Please follow this link on Thursdays at 6:45 to join us!

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/284582639>

Meeting ID: 284-582-639

If prompted to enter a password, please enter our parish office phone number - 2458827

Contemporary Anglican Theologians – Sunday 9am Class

Please join us Sunday mornings, 9:00, as we begin a new series. Our discussion group will be talking about contemporary Anglican theologians.

There are several Anglican (including many Episcopalian) theologians who have written during our lifetime, most of them are still working. They have written some fascinating ideas that enrich our understanding of God, Jesus, the Church and spirituality. Their work has added clarity, insight and depth to Anglican Christianity. We will be spending the next couple of months discussing these theologians and their ideas.

For more information, email Dave Kirchinger at episcopaliandave@gmail.com.

The link to the class is:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85144530030> / Meeting ID: **851 4453 0030**

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Centering Prayer

Centering Prayer is TWICE a month, every 2nd and 4th Tuesday. Join us on **November 24th from 6 – 7pm** on ZOOM until we can all join back in the Lyman Office.

Link to Centering Prayer Group: <https://zoom.us/j/85280543522>

Meeting ID: 852 8054 3522

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St. Luke's Connections

St Luke's Connections is our latest media production, that happens right before our Sunday 10:00 AM live stream. In St Luke's Connections we get to know members of our community here at St Luke's. Currently we are in need of our community of faith to volunteer about 10-15 minutes of their time to be interviewed as part of St Luke's Connections. If you are interested in being interviewed please contact either Ira Creasman or Mitch Wilson.

Ira: 205-382-4800 or ibcreasman@gmail.com / Mitch: mitchelldalewilson@hotmail.com

Birthdays & Anniversaries

If you've had a birthday or anniversary over the past several weeks, or have one coming up in the weeks ahead, please let Dawn know, admin@stlukesanchorage.org. Let her know your birthday, or the date of your wedding anniversary and how many years you've been married, and we will offer a blessing over you during our recorded worship.

The Flowers on the Altar are given by Dr. & Mrs. Bernard Strenecky in loving memory of their parents, Gene & Joyce Dalenberg, and Joseph & Anne Strenecky.

In our prayers ... Al, Allen, Amy, Ann, Annie, Beecher, Bethann, Bill, Braxton, Bud, Calvin Riley, Carol, Charles, Christy, Dave, David, Diana, E.J., Eleanor, Elizabeth, Gene, Hugh, Ira, Jackie, Jen, Jenni, Jerry, Jim, Joan, Joe, John, Joyce, Karen, Kelly, Ken, Lauren, Lee, Linda, Lisette, Liz, London, Lynn, Martha, Mary, Matt, Meg, Mike, Milo, Monica, Nancy, Nina (Nine-ah), Patricia, Phil, Rob, Ronald, Sandy, Stefanie, Steve, Sue, Susan, Susie, Terry, Tim, Tracy, Trish, Ursula, Vicki, Walt, Whitney, Wynn; and our men and women serving in our armed forces and their families. We offer prayers of blessing and thanksgiving for all men and women serving in the armed services, especially these persons known to us: **Alex, Bianca, Casey, Christian, Griffin, Pat, Seth, Sinclair, Steve.** We pray that they have safe journeys and know the loving concern of friends and family. May God watch over them and grant them strength and courage to face perils which beset them.

Readings for:

Thanksgiving Day	Deuteronomy 8:7-18; Psalm 65; II Corinthians 9:6-15; Luke 17:11-19.
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November 29: Advent I	Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 16-18; I Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37.
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