

# *Christ the King*

*24th Sunday of Pentecost*

*November 23, 2025*

*11:00 am Worship*



*Our vision:*

*"Joy is a spiritual community sharing the love of Christ in a challenging world."*

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*Our mission is to share  
the Good News of grace and love with  
all through worship, service, and fellowship.*

***Worship text is on the screen.***  
***\*Indicates Congregation Stands if able***

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**Prelude- *“Jesus Is A Rock In A Weary Land”-JOY Handbell Choir***

**\* Confession and Forgiveness**

**\*Gathering Hymn: *ELW #855-verses 1, 2, and 4***  
***“Crown Him With Many Crowns”***

**\*Greeting**

**\*Hymn of Praise: -*“Majesty”***

**\*Prayer of the Day**

**Children’s Message**

**First Reading: Jeremiah 23: 1-6**

**Second Reading: Colossians 1: 11-20**

**Special Music: *“His Majesty and Power” -JOY Choir***

**\*Gospel Acclamation: *“Thy Word” (Verse 2)***

**\*Gospel: Luke 23: 33-43**

**Today’s Message is Given by: *Pr. Art Wuertz***

**\*Hymn of the Day: *“Amazing Grace (My Chains Are Gone)”***

**\*Apostles’ Creed**

**\*The Prayers of the People**

**\*Passing of the Peace**

**Offertory: *“Who Is Like Our God?”-arr. Greg Scheer***

**\*Congregational Offertory: *“Make Me A Servant”***

**\*Offertory Prayer**

- \*The Great Thanksgiving
- \*"It is indeed right....."
- \*Sanctus: - *"Only A Holy God" verse 1*
- \*Eucharistic Prayer
- \*Words of Institution
- \*The Lord's Prayer
- \*Invitation to Communion
- \*Lamb of God: *"Lamb Of God" verse 1*

Distribution Hymns:

*"Because He Lives"*

*"In Christ Alone"*

*ELW #612- "Healer Of Our Every Ill"*

- \*Communion Blessing
- \*Prayer after Communion
- \*Blessing
- \*Sending Hymn: *ELW #857-"Lord I Lift Your Name On High"*
- \*Sending
- \*Postlude: *"Crown Him With Many Crowns"*  
*arr. Michael D. Costello*

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**PLEASE NOTE:**

*"Anyone desiring Holy Communion at home,  
please call the church office to get a visit scheduled"*



## THIS WEEK'S PRAYER LIST

Patty Braswell\*-Illness  
John Caputo\*-Heart Issue  
Ken Charles-Health Issues  
John Cobb-Health  
Robert Cretul\* – Cancer  
Carol Daruna\*-Cancer Diagnosis  
Peggy Dietz-Healing  
Aud Enslow\*-Healing  
Kim Fintel\*-Cancer Diagnosis  
Bruce Froeschl-Health Issues  
Elaine Froeschl-Recovery  
Violet Frey-Health Issues  
Grace Hansen-Health Concerns  
Hardy Family-Bereavement  
Trudie Herzog\*-Illness  
Susan Holmes-Health  
Bruce Hopkins & Family\*-LOMS  
Billy Hubbard\*-Stage 4 Cancer  
Bob Irish – Health  
Jake's Grandfather Bob-Concerns  
Robyn Johnson\*-Recovery from

back surgeries  
Steven Mendez\*-Recovery  
Abby Owen\*-Cancer Treatments  
Pam Rodriguez\*-Cancer  
Dolly Schember-Health  
Katie Schoenfelder-Health  
Brian Shull\*-Special Circumstances  
Nancy Spitzack\*-Family Issues  
Kristen Spivey\*-Preparing to be a  
kidney donor  
Lee & Edie Stewart – Health  
Helen Vance\*-Cancer  
Ken Warner\*- Lung Cancer  
Mary Wilson\*-Illness  
  
Bertha Hendrickson-Assisted Living  
Cynthia Randall-Memory Care  
Patricia Randall-Sales-Memory  
Care

### TIMBER RIDGE ANGELS

Thank you everyone for sponsoring our angels.

Your generosity is overwhelming.

Please make sure you signed your name  
next to the angel you adopted.

Wrapped gifts, with angels attached, are due back no later than

**TUESDAY, DECEMBER 9TH.**

Please check them in and place them under the tree.

**DATELINE LEGEND:** SH= SWENSON HALL; S=SANCTUARY; N=NARTHEX;  
OR= OUTREACH ROOM; MG=MEMORIAL GARDEN; CG=CHURCH GROUNDS; OC=OFF CAMPUS

| DATE       | TIME         | EVENT                          | LOC  |
|------------|--------------|--------------------------------|------|
| Mon. 11/24 | 9:30 AM      | Stephen Ministry               | SH   |
|            | 1:00 PM      | Bible Study with Charlie       | N    |
| Tue. 11/25 | 11:00 AM     | Beginners' Bible Study         | SH   |
| Wed. 11/26 | 9:00 AM      | Joyful Hands Ministry          | SH   |
|            | 9:30 AM      | Happy Hands Ministry           | SH   |
|            | 3:00-4:30    | JOY Choir Rehearsal            | S    |
|            | 5:30 PM      | Thanksgiving Worship Service   | S    |
| Fri. 11/28 | 9:00 AM      | Christmas Tree/Chrismon Set Up | S    |
| Sat. 11/29 |              | Interfaith Dinner Delivery     | OC   |
|            | 2:00-4:00 PM | Cleaning Service               | S/SH |



THE FLOWERS TODAY  
ARE PLACED BY  
*PATTY WILLOUGHBY and RON PIPER*  
IN CELEBRATION OF THEIR  
41st WEDDING ANNIVERSARY



| ATTENDANCE |            |          |     |
|------------|------------|----------|-----|
| WEDNESDAY  | 11/12/2025 | 5:30 PM  | 17  |
| SUNDAY     | 11/16/2025 | 8:15 AM  | 54  |
|            | 11/16/2025 | 11:00 AM | 102 |



## POINSETTIA PLANTS FOR JOY



*The Altar Guild would like to invite you to provide a lovely plant for the Christmas altar decorating again this year. Poinsettias will be \$ 13.00 each. Please enclose your check or cash, with this form in an envelope and return them by no later than December 10<sup>th</sup>. They will be available "By Order Only". (We are ordering 60 plants, on a first come, first serve basis.)*

*(Please PRINT all information below.)*

*# of plants ordered \_\_\_\_\_ Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_*

*Given By \_\_\_\_\_*

*In Memory*

*of \_\_\_\_\_*

*Do you wish to take the plants home?*

*Circle One:      Yes                      No*

*The Poinsettias not taken home will be given to the sick and shut-ins of the congregation.*



## **ADVENT WEDNESDAYS**

**DEC. 3RD, 10TH, & 17TH AT 5:30**

**“MAKE READY FOR HOLY DISRUPTION”**

**We await again the birth of Jesus and also for him to come again to fulfill all things.**

**“Get ready”, the world screams. Plan! Organize!**

**Shop ‘til you drop! Preparing for Jesus doesn’t mean having everything under control. Christ’s arrival disrupts injustice, sin, and brokenness in this world we are in.**

**Christ, come with holy disruption of what we can’t control and that we might struggle to accept.**



# **WELCA**

**The Annual WELCA Christmas Social will be December 6<sup>th</sup>. Entertainment at 11 AM in the Sanctuary. Lunch at 12N in Swenson Hall.**

**Tickets are \$10 and will be available in the Narthex Sundays, November 16, 23, and 30<sup>th</sup>, Wednesdays 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup>. There are only 80 tickets. Get yours early!**

## THANKS TO TODAY'S MINISTRY TEAMS

|                     |                                 |
|---------------------|---------------------------------|
| Assistant Minister  | Jeff Hogan                      |
| Reader              | Irene Hendersen                 |
| Cross Bearer        | Don Fields                      |
| Communion Assistant | Vicki Valli                     |
| Ushering Team       | McGRURY                         |
| Food & Fellowship   | LCD's                           |
| Altar Angels        |                                 |
| Counters            | Doreen Robinson, David Robinson |

## OUR STAFF

|                          |                   |
|--------------------------|-------------------|
| Administrative Assistant | Zsuzsanna Jobbagy |
| Director of Music        | Silas Daniel      |
| Choir Director           | Linda Aker        |
| Handbell Choir Director  | Melissa Daniel    |
| Treasurer                | Terry Owen        |
| Sexton                   | Carson Faris      |

### OFFICE HOURS:-

Monday-Thursday 8:00 am—3:30 pm CLOSED ON FRIDAY



### **FOR OUR MEMBERS & GUESTS**

Our bulletin and music for the hymns is available on our website and can be accessed by scanning the QR code on the LEFT. It will take you to our Worship Tools : click on **HYMNS** You can view the music for the entire service on your phone or i-pad.

*Our Sanctuary is 'hearing aid-friendly '  
and also connects with Bluetooth devices."*



Scan the QR code for On-Line Giving Opportunities