



2702 Rockefeller Ave • Everett, WA 98201

November 23, 2025, 10:00 am
Christ the King Sunday



GATHERING *The Spirit Calls Us Together*

Prelude

Welcome & Announcements

Call to Worship

Choir

Opening Litany

based on Psalms 46

God is our refuge and strength,
a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the
mountains shake in the heart of the sea;
**though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its
tumult.**

“Be still, and know that I am God!
I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.”

Gathering Hymn

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

ELW 855 vs 1, 3-5

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless king through all eternity.

Crown him the Lord of love-- behold his hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.

No angels in the sky can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes at mysteries so bright.

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Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave
and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.
His glories now we sing, who died and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of years, the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres, ineffably sublime.
All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Text: Matthew Bridges, 1800-1894, sts. 1-3, 5; Godfrey Thring, 1823-1903, st. 4

Greeting

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
And also with you.

Hymn of Praise

ELW pp. 149-150

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

**Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain,
whose blood set us free to be people of God.
Power and riches and wisdom and strength,
and honor and blessing and glory are his.
This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.**

**Sing with all the people of God
and join in the hymn of all creation:
Blessing and honor and glory and might
be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.
This is the feast of victory for our God,
for the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign.
Alleluia. Alleluia.**

Prayer of the Day

Special Music

"Cantate Deo"

Choir & trumpet

First Reading

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD. ⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

Word of God, word of life.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

ELW p. 151

Alleluia. Lord, to whom shall we go?
You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia.

Gospel according to St. Luke, the 23rd chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel

Luke 23:33-43

Two others also, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with Jesus. ³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the

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Jews.”³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!”⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?”⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.”⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”⁴³ Jesus replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

The Gospel of the Lord.
Thanks be to God

Sermon

Pastor Jim Killough

Hymn of the Day

“Beautiful Savior”

ELW 838

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man! Truly I'd love thee,
truly I'd serve thee, light of my soul, my joy, my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
robed in flow'rs of blooming spring; Jesus is fairer,
Jesus is purer, he makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,
bright the sparkling stars on high; Jesus shines brighter,
Jesus shines purer than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man! Glory and honor,
praise, adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

Text: Gesangbuch, Münster, 1677; tr. Joseph A. Seiss, 1823-1904

Sacrament of Holy Baptism

Sadie and Will Semore

The Prayers of the People

*As petitions conclude: “Loving God,” please respond “**receive our prayers.**”*

Sharing of God's Peace

The peace of Christ be with you always.
And also with you.

Offering & Offering Prayer

Great Thanksgiving

ELW pp. 152-153

*The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**
Lift up your hearts. **We lift them to the Lord.**
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.*

It is indeed right....and join their unending hymn.

***Holy, holy, holy Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might:
Heav'n and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna in the highest.***

Words of Institution

Lord's Prayer *(Please feel free to pray your preferred version of the Lord's Prayer)*

Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as in heaven. Give us today our daily bread. Forgive us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us. Save us from the time of trial and deliver us from evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory are yours, now and forever. Amen.

Communion

Communion Hymn

"O Christ the Same"

WOV 778

O Christ the same, through all our story's pages--
our loves and hopes, our failures and our fears;
eternal Lord, the king of all the ages,
unchanging still amid the passing years:
O living Word, the source of all creation,
who spread the skies and set the stars ablaze;
O Christ the same, who wrought our whole salvation,
we bring our thanks for all our yesterdays.

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O Christ the same, the friend of sinners, sharing
 our inmost thoughts, the secrets none can hide;
 still as of old upon your body bearing
 the marks of love in triumph glorified.

O Son of Man, who stooped for us from heaven--
 O Prince of life, in all your saving power;

O Christ the same, to whom our hearts are given:
 we bring our thanks for this the present hour.

O Christ the same, secure within whose keeping
 our lives and loves, our days and years remain;
 our work and rest, our waking and our sleeping,
 our calm and storm, our pleasure and our pain:

O Lord of love, for all our joys and sorrows,
 for all our hopes when earth shall fade and flee;

O Christ the same, beyond our brief tomorrows,
 we bring our thanks for all that is to be.

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Communion Blessing & Post-Communion Prayer

SENDING God blesses us and sends us in mission to the world.

Blessing

Sending Hymn

"Soon and Very Soon"

ELW 439

Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,

(Refrain:) Hallelujah, Hallelujah, we're goin' to see the King!

No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see the King. (Refrain)

No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King,
 No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see the King. (Refrain)

Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King,
 Soon and very soon, we are goin' to see the King, (Refrain)

Dismissal

Go in peace. Share the love of Jesus.
Thanks be to God.

Postlude

*Following worship, setup for Sunday Supper takes place in the Fellowship Hall
and making sack lunches takes place in the Library.*

Flowers given by The Semores, in celebration of Sadie's and Will's baptisms.

We Hold in Prayer this Week

Those Grieving: Family and friends of Olena Cates, Debbie's MIL; family and friends of Larry Bielser, friend of Debbie; family and friends of Jan's granddaughter, Jennifer; family and friends of Jack Johnston.

God's Healing Presence: Kathy Trosvig; Steve Olsen; Mary Beck; Pat Krassin; Sheryn Todd; Elizabeth Ritchie; Gayle & Dave's grandson Liam and niece Amanda; Beth's friend Kamm and sister-in-law, Megan; Debbie's friend Larry & cousin David; Surridges' friends Barby & Larry, and Marc Walkden; Ed & Evie Bishop; Peggy & Dave's friends Kevin, Ron and Martin Olson; Joan's father; Debbie's Aunt Jennie and Uncle Bill.

Prayers for our world, nation, and communities: For immigrants living in fear. For nations and peoples in the midst of warfare. For refugees seeking safety.

Announcements

Baptized Today: Sadie and Will Semore, children of Chris and Meagan Semore. Sadie and Will's sponsors are Molly Loesche and Carly McGinn.

The Holiday Grocery Gift Card Reception is today following worship. This reception is for the families receiving gift cards. Along with the gift cards, we want to personally wish each family a blessed holiday season. Please join us in the Fellowship Hall to greet our guests.

Preparing for the Hanging of the Greens This Saturday we need help getting ready for The Hanging of the Greens worship. The fun starts at 9:00 am, but you can show up anytime in the morning. We will be getting the decorations out, setting up the Christmas tree, and doing some deep cleaning.

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Last day to donate for Poinsettias Next Sunday we will prepare for the season with the Hanging of the Greens during worship. If you would like to make a donation for purchasing poinsettias, there are envelopes back by the bulletins.

Mission of the Month for both October and November is Central’s Holiday Grocery Gift Cards. Donations can be made using the Special Offering envelopes in the pews. Or you can donate on our website. Make sure to designate your donation to "Mission of the Month" on the "To:" drop down menu.

This Week at Central

Montessori Academy M-F, 7:30-4:30

Sunday, November 23

8:45 am Choir Rehearsal

9:15 am Sunday School

10:00 am Central Lutheran Worship

11:00 am Holiday Gift Card Reception

1:00 pm Looking for Jesus Prayer Group

2:30 pm Marshallese Worship

5:00 pm Sunday Supper

6:30pm Rosamaria Class

7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Monday, November 24

9:30 am Quilters

Tuesday, November 25

5:00 pm Academia Latina

Wednesday, November 26

8:00 am Lutheran Counseling Network

7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Thursday, November 27 - THANKSGIVING

7:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Friday, November 28

5:00 pm Marshallese Fellowship

Saturday, November 29

9:00 am Set up for Gift Card Reception

Sunday, November 30

8:45 am Choir Rehearsal

9:15 am Sunday School

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Worship Leaders	This Sunday, November 23	Next Sunday, November 30
Keyboard	Joan Dirska	Joan Dirska
Usher	Dave Finstad	Dave Finstad
Lector	Rosamaria Graziani	Jonathan Todd
Assisting Minister	Peter Lee	TBA
Communion Bread	Kathy Trosvig	Kathy Trosvig
Fellowship Host	TBA	Beth Kendall & Carol Krause
YouTube Operator	Jonathan Todd	Jonathan Todd
Altar Guild	Kathy Trosvig	Kathy Trosvig