

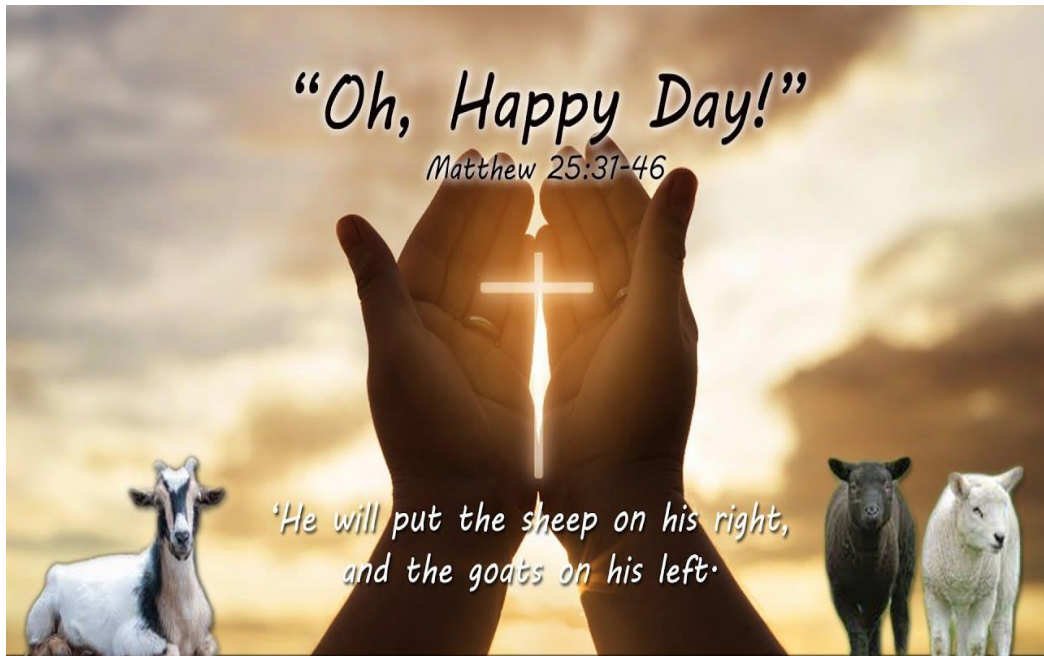


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Sunday, November 26, 2023
Christ the King



Matthew 25:31-46

Key: L = Leader, C = Congregation

Prelude:

Welcome

The flowers on the altar are sponsored by Mary Jean Zilm in memory of Jana Zilm.

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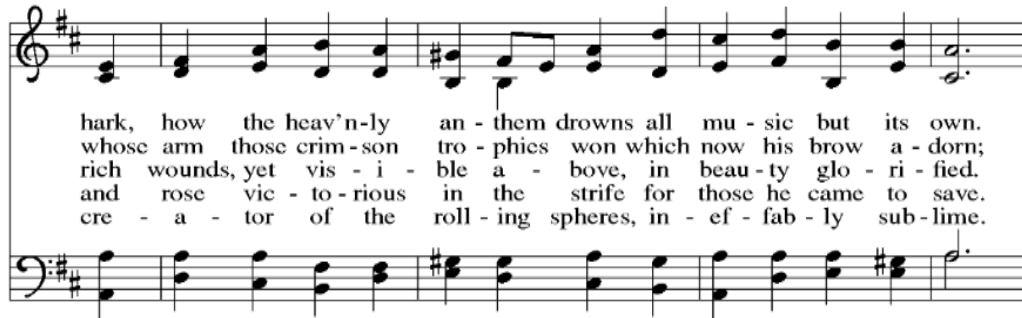
Gathering Hymn:

“Crown Him with Many Crowns”

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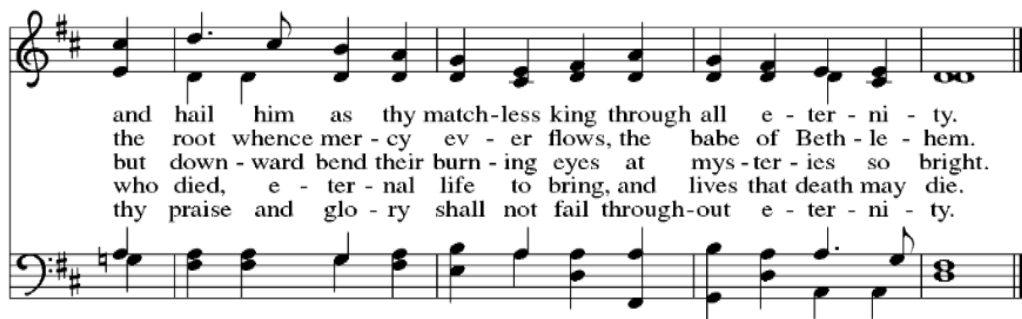
1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
2 Crown him the vir - gin's Son, the God in - car - nate born;
3 Crown him the Lord of love— be - hold his hands and side,
4 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave
5 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time,



hark, how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own.
whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn;
rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied.
and rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save.
cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub - lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
fruit of the mys - tic rose, yet of that rose the stem,
No an - gels in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
His glo - ries now we sing, who died and rose on high,
All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;



and hail him as thy match-less king through all e - ter - ni - ty.
the root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, the babe of Beth - le - hem.
but down - ward bend their burn - ing eyes at mys - ter - ies so bright.
who died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
thy praise and glo - ry shall not fail through-out e - ter - ni - ty.

Apostolic Greeting:

L: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise:

“Give Thanks”

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks unto the Holy one;
Give thanks because He’s given, Jesus Christ, His son.

And now let the weak say “I am strong,” Let the poor say “I am rich”
Because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give thanks with a grateful heart, Give thanks unto the Holy one;
Give thanks because He’s given, Jesus Christ, His son. Give thanks.

Prayer of the Day:

O God of power and might, your Son shows us the way of service, and in him we inherit the riches of your grace. Give us the wisdom to know what is right and the strength to serve the world you have made, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Scripture Reading:

Ephesians 1:15-23

Read by Anne Marie Hansen

¹⁵I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason ¹⁶I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. ¹⁷I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, ¹⁸so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, ¹⁹and what is the immeasurable greatness ¹⁹ of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. ²⁰God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, ²¹far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. ²²And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, ²³which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

“Jesus Loves the Little Children”

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Every color shape and size, they are precious in His eyes.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Jesus loves the little children,
All the children of the world.
Jesus is the Shepherd true, and He'll always stand by you,
For He loves the little children of the world.

Jesus loves the little children, all the children of the world.
Every color shape and size, they are precious in His eyes.
Jesus loves the little children of the world.

Children's Sermon

Gospel Song:

“Alleluia”

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia,
Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia:

L: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:31-46



Matthew 25:31-46

[Jesus said to the disciples:] ³¹“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. ³²All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, ³³and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. ³⁴Then 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; ³⁵for 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, ³⁶I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ ³⁷Then 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? ³⁸And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? ³⁹And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ ⁴⁰And 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.’ ⁴¹Then 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; ⁴²for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, ⁴³I 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.’ ⁴⁴Then 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?’ ⁴⁵Then 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.’ ⁴⁶And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

L: The Gospel of the Lord...



Sermon:

Beth Hurt, Intern

Song of the Day:

“In Christ Alone”

Video

The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth,
I believe in Jesus Christ, God’s 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 to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

The Prayers (L): Lord in your mercy,

Response: **hear our prayer.**

Please keep the following in prayer:

Deb Watkins	Georgena Miller	Linda Girken	Marilyn Isakson
Colleen Ortmayer	Bill Wohlers Jr.	Imani Sande	Arlene Hollar
Ruth Farmer	Noa Mulholland	Don Knowlton	
Lorna Scrimger	Skip Ward	Marilu Wohlers	

Melanie Johanningmeier and her family at the death of her mother, Bunny Nevermann.

Please pray for all serving in the Armed Forces & their families: Kaleb Bilharz, Mackenzy Bilharz, Tanner Evans, Kaylie Fox, Hannah Fox, Kim Hall, Daniel Jacobs, Cameron Kakac, Drew Roethler, Robson Shankland

Offering Hymn:

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

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1 For the fruit of all cre - a - tion, thanks be to God.
2 In the just re - ward of la - bor, God's will is done.
3 For the har - vests of the Spir - it, thanks be to God.



For these gifts to ev - 'ry na - tion, thanks be to God.
In the help we give our neigh - bor, God's will is done.
For the good we all in - her - it, thanks be to God.



For the plow - ing, sow - ing, reap - ing, si - lent growth while we are sleep - ing,
In our world - wide task of car - ing for the hun - gry and de - spair - ing,
For the won - ders that as - tound us, for the truths that still con - found us,



fu - ture needs in earth's safe - keep - ing, thanks be to God.
in the har - vests we are shar - ing, God's will is done.
most of all, that love has found us, thanks be to God.

**Response:*

“Take Our Lives”

Take our lives and let them be consecrated, Lord, to thee;
Take our moments and our days, let them flow in ceaseless praise.
Take our love, oh Lord, we pour at your feet its treasure store;
Take our lives and we will be ever yours eternally.

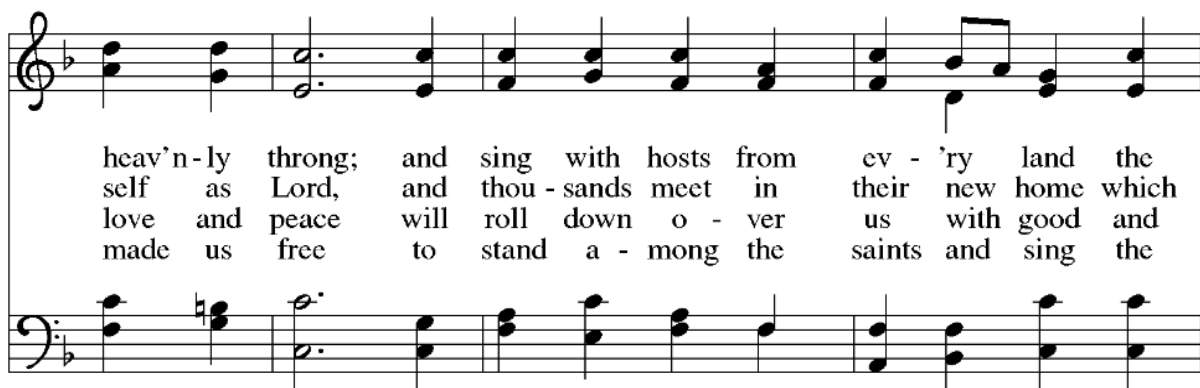
The Lord's Prayer

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.

The Benediction



1 Oh, hap - py day when we shall stand a - mid the
 2 Oh, bless - ed day when Christ shall come and show him -
 3 Oh, what a might - y rush - ing flood of joy and
 4 O Lord, your grace is ev - 'ry - thing; your love has



heav'n - ly throng; and sing with hosts from ev - 'ry land the
 self as Lord, and thou - sands meet in their new home which
 love and peace will roll down o - ver us with good and
 made us free to stand a - mong the saints and sing the



new ce - les - tial song, the new ce - les - tial song.
 Je - sus has pre - pared, which Je - sus has pre - pared.
 bless - ed - ness and grace, and bless - ed - ness and grace.
 glo - ry that we see, the glo - ry that we see.

L: Go in peace. Share the Good News!
Thanks be to God!

Postlude:



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November 26 -- December 3

Sunday	9:00 AM	Worship "Christ the King"
	10:00 AM	After Worship Social Time
Monday	6:00 PM	Cub Scouts
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Newsletter Deadline
	4:00 PM	Staff Meeting
	6:30 PM	Preschool Board
Wednesday	5:00 PM	Wednesday Night Supper & Activities
Friday	5:00 PM	Girl Scouts
Saturday	9:00 AM	Deacons Decorate Church
Sunday	9:00 AM	Worship "Christ the King"
	10:00 AM	After Worship Social Time
	10:05 AM	Sunday Morning Schedule
	11-12:30	Kids 25¢ Store

Dartball
Contact Dennis Sande at
319-389-7998

Offering from the week of:

November 19, 2023

General Receipts:	\$10,305.71
Designated:	\$505.00
Total	\$10,810.71

General Receipts of \$9,580.03 are needed weekly to meet the approved budget.

Sunday Attendance: 216

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPERS

HELP NEEDED

**in the kitchen during the months of
February.**

To Volunteer...

Contact: Shirley Holm OR Sandie Quade

Wednesday Night Schedule

3:30 pm	After School
5:00 pm	Supper
5:30 pm	Kids Choir
6:00 pm	Confirmation
6:00 pm	Tone Chime Choir
7:00 pm	Trinity Choir
7:00 pm	Dartball

Wednesday Night Supper

****November 29****

WEDNESDAY NIGHT SUPPER

Menu: Pizza Burgers, Fruit, Ice Cream Sandwiches

Supper is from 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Cost: \$5.00 for adults

Children through 12th grade free thanks to
Kans for Kids

(Menu subject to change)

NOVEMBER IS FOOD MONTH!

Sunday school youth can bring
Non-perishable food items to class
To be donated to the
Blessing Box or Food Pantry!



Please help support...

St. John Christian Preschool

Purchase Kwik Star gift cards and the preschool receives 5% of the face value!! Please contact Whitney or Toni if you are interested.



Christmas Decorating

Board of Deacons Invites YOU!!

Saturday, December 2nd

9:00 AM...meet in the sanctuary.

Mobile food pantry needs your help

Delivery of food from the Northeast Iowa mobile food pantry by the St John bus is off to a wonderful start! This is a greatly needed service in our community because there are many people that qualify for food from the pantry but have mobility or transportation limitations and are unable to come to the fairgrounds to pick it up. Unfortunately, the St John bus is at its capacity and cannot fit anymore deliveries. There are many people on the waiting list. We are in need of people that can deliver food with their personal vehicles. The mobile food pantry is held the first Wednesday of the month at the Floyd county fairgrounds. Delivery vehicles will be loaded up at 6:00 pm. Deliveries are limited to within a 5 mile radius of Charles City. If you are interested in helping, call Jen Burton the mobile food pantry coordinator at 641-220-1769. Depending on the size of your vehicle, 2-4 households worth of food will likely fit in a personal vehicle. Even if you are not able to deliver every month, we still can use your help. You do not need to be a St John member to help, anyone can help.

Thank you for your support of this ministry!



The Charles City mobile food pantry is an equal opportunity provider.



	<p>December 3rd 11:00a.m. - 12:30p.m. In the Parish Hall</p>
	<p>Donations of gently used Christmas items, crafts or toys are needed!</p>

If any kids are interested in providing prelude music, please contact **Melanie by Dec. 3.**



We would love to feature the kids on piano or other instruments

Join us for Worship
on
December 10th as
The ABC's of Christmas
&
Twases of Christmas

Music Sunday:

Sunday, December 17, 2023

Come and join us for a service of music and word.

"Rejoice, Your Light Has Come"

featuring: Trinity Choir, Kids Choir, Tone Chime Choir, and other special music.

Blue Christmas Service

December 21st at 5:30pm

*Gentle service of expression
and reflection
for those who are grieving,
experiencing loneliness or
loss this holiday season.*



Donating **blood** brings people **home** for the **holidays**

LifeServe
Your Blood. Your Hospital. Your Neighbors.

Charles City Community Blood Drive
Messiah Lutheran Church
705 3rd Ave. | Charles City
Friday, December 22
12:30 PM - 5:30 PM

Text: LIFESERVE to 999.777 | Call: 800.287.4903 | Visit: lifeserve.info/schedule

75 YEARS SAVING LIVES
LifeServe BLOOD CENTERS
YOUR BLOOD. YOUR HOSPITAL. YOUR NEIGHBORS.

Family Board

Pick up kits: December 3rd in the Parish Hall

“Advent Activity Take and Make”

The supplies, except glue and tape, will be provided in the Advent activity kit. Example: bake Christmas cookies, decorate a gingerbread house, visit a nursing home...

Please put your name on the back of the attendance slip or contact the church office to *sign up for a kit.*

GriefShare®

GriefShare is a 13 week grief support group that is beginning again at St. John. Join us to find help and encouragement after the death of a loved one.

Tuesdays at 6:30

January 23 through April 16

Register at GriefShare.org or call the church office at 228-3388.

See Susan Leener for more information.

Stephen Ministry

We all go through tough times. In the midst of these times, it can be extremely helpful to have someone come alongside us to give understanding and encouragement – to provide stability, hope, and Biblical principles to help us get through the storm. That’s what a Stephen Minister is able to provide. Here at St. John, we have compassionate individuals who are trained to help us when encountering loss, grief, relationship challenges, and many other challenges that can throw our lives into a tailspin. A Stephen Minister is a caring individual who can confidentially help us navigate these times. If you’re interested in becoming a Stephen Minister, contact the church office and a Stephen Leader will get in touch with you to provide more information. We’re planning Stephen Minister training starting after the first of the year.

Stephen Minister Training

Stephen Minister Training will be happening at St. John on Tuesdays from 6:00 to 8:30 PM, starting January 16, 2024. The deadline for signing up is January 2nd. If you are interested in being a Stephen Minister or would like to learn more about it, please contact the church office and we will get you in touch with one of our Stephen Leaders.

After Worship Social Time

Coffee & a treat are served Outside or in the Parish Hall each Sunday!!

****Special Note****

We do need volunteers to sign up for bringing treats. There is a sign-up sheet by the Narthex doors.