

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY THE REIGN OF CHRIST

NOVEMBER 23, 2025



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Welcome to Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana. Whether you are worshiping in person or online, we're glad you are here! Please fill out a Connection Card and drop it in the offering plate or complete it online at www.tigardlutherans.com/connect

Sunday, November 23, 2025 • Christ the King Sunday

Jeremiah's promise of the execution of "justice and righteousness in the land" finds ironic fulfillment in the execution of Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews. It appears utterly contradictory that a king should be crucified with a criminal. This victory appears for all the world as humiliating defeat. Yet through the gate of death Jesus opens the door to paradise.

This worship service is being recorded and will be available on Facebook, YouTube, and the church website.

When indicated, please stand as you are able.

The assembly reads the **bold print**.

GATHERING

INVOCATION

En el nombre de Dios, Creador, Redentor y Sabiduría Santa. Amén.

In the name of God, Creator, \oplus Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom.

Amen.

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Silence is kept for reflection.

The assembly stands.

All may make the sign of the cross, the sign that is

marked at baptism, as the

presiding minister begins.

Faithful God,

you have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news: God the Faithful One loves you, \pm in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free. **Amen.**

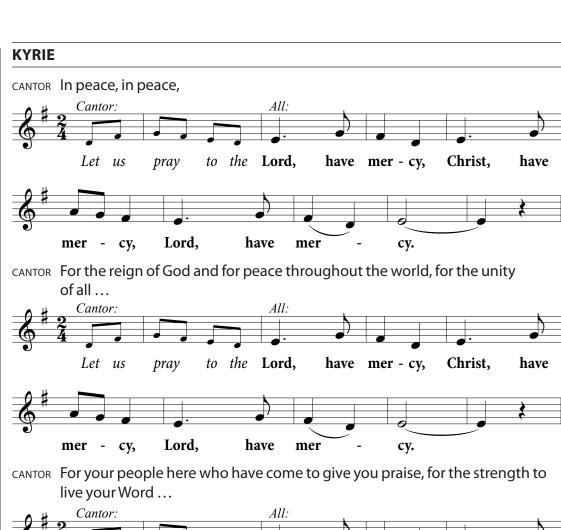
Charles Wesley published this hymn in his 1746 collection, Hymns for Our Lord's Resurrection. Wesley wrote primarily positive and uplifting hymns, usually expressing his own strong faith. The author of some 6,500 hymns, he was 10 times more prolific than Isaac Watts, who was also one of the greatest hymnwriters of the English language. John Darwall composed this tune for a 1773 recital celebrating the installation of a new organ at the church in England where he had recently begun his ministry as the new vicar. It is known as DARWALL'S 148TH because it was used as a setting for a paraphrase of Psalm 148. Darwall was a clergyman, poet, and amateur musician. In 1761, he began his work at St. Matthew's Parish Church in Walsall, Staffordshire, England, where he remained for the rest of his life.

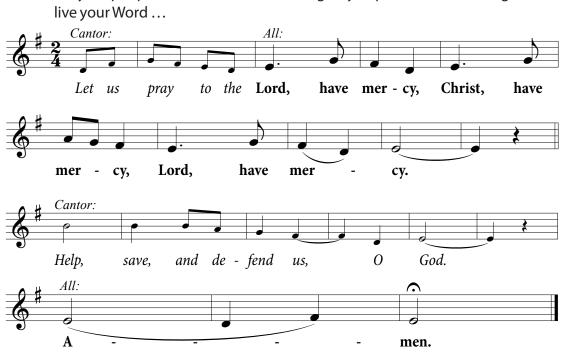


APOSTOLIC GREETING

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

And also with you.





CANTICLE OF PRAISE



PRAYER OF THE DAY

Let us pray.

A brief silence is kept before the prayer.

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

The assembly is seated.

WORD

Amen.

READING JEREMIAH 23:1-6

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah, the twenty-third chapter.

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore 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. Then 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. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The 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. In 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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 46

A reading of Psalm 46.

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

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth be moved, and though the mountains shake in the depths of the sea; though its waters rage and foam, and though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be shaken; God shall help it at the break of day.

The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake; God speaks, and the earth melts away.

The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

Today's reading builds on the common, ancient Near Eastern metaphor of the king as shepherd. Judah's unjust rulers have caused their people, their "flock," to be scattered. Nevertheless, God will raise up a new and righteous shepherd who will rule a restored Judah.

Come now, regard the works of the Lord, what desolations God has brought upon the earth.

Behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world; who breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, then, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth."

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READING

COLOSSIANS 1:11-20

An early Christian hymn praises the mystery of the political, personal, and mystical Christ, the one who was present at creation and is eternally reigning with God. A reading from the letter to the Colossians.

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

Word of God. Word of life.

Thanks be to God.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PASTOR DOROTHY

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

CANTOR Praise the God of all creation, God of mercy and compassion.

The assembly stands to greet the Holy Gospel.



Al-le - lu - ia, al-le - lu - ia, praise the Word of truth and life.

CANTOR: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David.

ALL: **Refrain**

ALL

HOLY GOSPEL LUKE 23:33-43

Amid scoffing and slander from those who sarcastically call him Messiah and king, Jesus reveals that to be Messiah and king is to give one's life for others. Here he uses his power to welcome a despised sinner to paradise but puts his own death into God's hands.

El Santo Evangelio según Lucas, capítulo veintitrés.

The Holy Gospel according to Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord. (¡Gloria a ti, oh Señor!)

When 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. Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And 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!" The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

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

El Evangelio del Salvador.

The Gospel of the Savior.

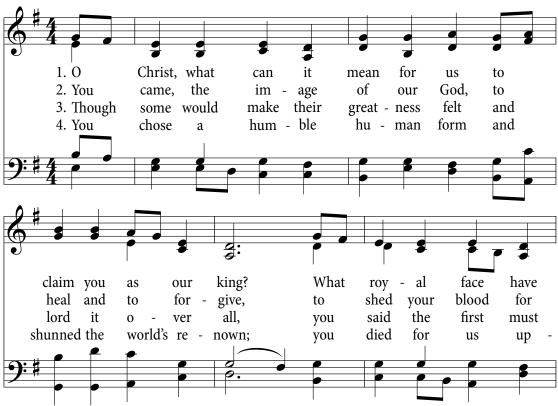
Praise to you, O Christ. (¡Alabanza a ti, oh Cristo!)

The assembly is seated.

THE HOMILY PASTOR DOROTHY

HYMN OF THE DAY

O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us?



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The assembly stands.

Benedictine sister and hymn writer Delores Dufner, the author of this hymn, says this about it: "The question is, 'What can it mean for us to claim Christ as our king?' My answer: It means that we may not wield power over others as the world does. letting might take precedence over right. The way of love is opposite the way of power and, as followers of Jesus, we are called to take the way of love. Love shows itself in other-centered service rather than self-centeredness. The fact that we are wealthy and powerful as individuals, and as a nation, places on us a special responsibility to care for those who are poor and weak." In relation to the feast of Christ the King just before Advent begins, she adds that most hymns recommended for that festival emphasize continued next page

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"Christ as a glorious,
triumphant king, to the
exclusion of Jesus' own
portrayal of himself as one
who came 'not to be served
but to serve' (Matt. 20:28
and Mark 10:45)." In this
hymn she "tried to reflect
that humbler image of
Christ, a 'different kind of
king' whom we are invited to
imitate." This powerful text
is set here to the traditional
English melody, KINGSFOLD.



THE APOSTLES' CREED

With the whole church, let us confess our faith.

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.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

The lay assistant offers the prayers.

Gathered with one voice, we offer our prayers for the church, the world, and all who are in need.

A brief silence.

We pray for the church in the world, its leaders, and its mission to share the good news of healing and restoration. Inspire us to embody the beloved community in ways that faithfully witness to the Holy Spirit. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for the trembling mountains and glad streams of creation. Preserve and renew your coastlines, deep seas, forests, and grasslands. Guide all who tend flocks or care for creatures of all kinds. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for leaders and advocates in government, civic life, and public safety. Support equity across the globe, and heal division with accountability and truth. Hear us, O God. **Your mercy is great.**

We pray for any who are hungry, living in poverty or desperation, weary in body or spirit, or sick, especially Jonathan, Kole, Del, Jean, Sandy, Don, Nancy, Betty, Nick, Myrna, Travis, and Gaynelle. Comfort all in need of your tender care. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

We pray for this part of the body of Christ gathered around word and sacrament. Bring us into authentic community where all ages are valued and experience God's faithfulness together. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Here other intercessions may be offered.

For what else do the people of God pray?

We give thanks for all who have died in faith. May we remember them faithfully until we are gathered with you in the paradise you promise. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

The presiding minister concludes the prayers.

We offer these and all our prayers to you, O God, trusting in your grace and unyielding love; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.

Amen.

PASSING THE PEACE

La paz del Señor sea siempre con ustedes.

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And also with you. (Y también contigo.)

The assembly is seated.

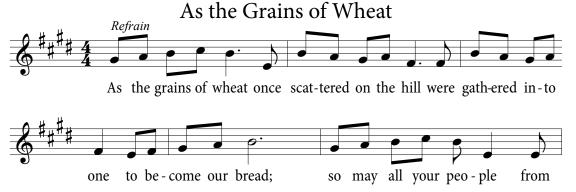
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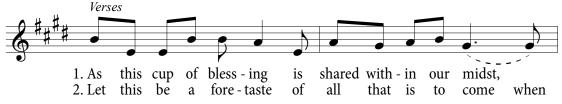
OFFERTORY HYMN

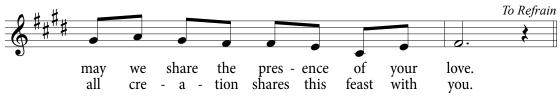
The assembly stands.





all the ends of earth be gath-ered in - to one in you.





OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray.

God of healing and hope, you bless those who are hungry, promising to fill them with good things. Fulfill that promise through us and these your gifts. Nourish us with the abundance of your feast and unite us into the blessed body of Jesus Christ our Savior, now and forever. Amen.

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

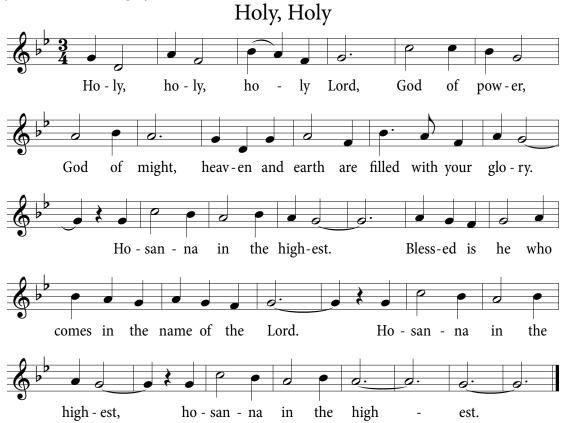
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

PROPER PREFACE

It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should at all times and in all places give thanks and praise to you, almighty and merciful God, through our Savior Jesus Christ; who on this day overcame death and the grave, and by his glorious resurrection opened to us the way of everlasting life. And so, with all the choirs of angels, with the church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn:



EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

Holy, mighty, and merciful Lord, heaven and earth are full of your glory. In great love you sent to us Jesus, your Son, who reached out to heal the sick and suffering, who preached good news to the poor, and who, on the cross, opened his arms to all.

In the night in which he was betrayed, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take and eat; this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.

Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying: This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for you and for all people for the forgiveness of sin. Do this for the remembrance of me.

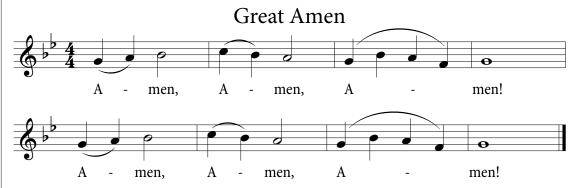
Remembering, therefore, his death, resurrection, and ascension, we await his coming in glory.

Memorial Acclamation





Pour out upon us the Spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of all who share this heavenly food, the body and blood of Jesus Christ, our Lord; to whom, with you and the Holy Spirit, be all honor and glory, now and forever.



THE LORD'S PRAYER

Gathered into one by the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

INVITATION TO HOLY COMMUNION

All are welcome at this meal.

There is a place for you at the table of God. Come, receive the food that does not perish, a taste of life eternal.

DISTRIBUTION

COMMUNION BLESSING

The assembly stands.

May the body and blood of our Lord and Savior, Jesus the Christ, strengthen you and keep you to life everlasting.

Amen.

POST-COMMUNION CANTICLE



PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray.

God of field and flower, wheat and grape, you have nourished us with the bread of heaven that gives life to the world. Strengthened by the body and blood of your Son, send us out to gather your good gifts for all who hunger and thirst, and embolden us to love and serve in Christ's name. Amen.

SENDING BLESSING

Dios todopoderoso, Creador,

Redentor, y Sabadurío Santo, los bendiga ahora y siempre.

Almighty God, Creator,

Redeemer, and Holy Wisdom, bless you now and forever.

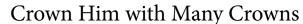
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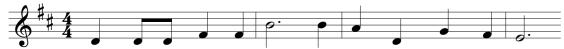
SENDING HYMN ELW 855

Matthew Bridges in 1851 wrote the text that is the foundation for this hymn based on Revelation 19:12. Godfrey Thring wrote an adaptation of Bridges's text, which appeared in Hymns and Sacred Lyrics (1874). Hymnal editors combined the two versions in the early 1900s. Bridges was trained as an Anglican priest and wrote against the Roman Catholic Church. However, influenced by John Henry Newman and the Oxford movement, he later converted to Catholicism. Godfrey Thring served as an Anglican priest his entire career. George Job Elvey composed this tune for Bridges's text 17 years after it was written. He gave it the Greek name for "crown," DIADEMATA. Elvey was knighted by Queen Victoria in 1871 for his contributions to church music. He was appointed organist to St. George's Chapel, Windsor,

England, at age 19. He held

the post for 47 years.





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



the heaven-ly hark, how whose arm those crim-son rich wounds, vet vis - i - ble and rose vic - to - rious cre - a tor of the

an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own! tro - phies won which now his brow a - dorn; a - bove, in beau-ty glo-ri-fied. the strife for those he came to save. in roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fab - ly sub-lime.



A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, fruit of the mvs - tic of that rose the rose, yet stem. No an - gels in can ful - ly bear that sight, the sky 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.

DISMISSAL

Go in peace. Love and serve the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

ALLARE WELCOME



IN THIS PLACE

THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH





ANNOUNCEMENTS AND WEEKLY eNEWS

This is an abbreviated list of announcements. Be sure to read the weekly eNews for complete coverage of this week's news. Follow the link or QR code in the box above to subscribe.

WORSHIP IN PERSON AND ON ZOOM SUNDAY AT 10:30 A.M.

Zoom "doors" open at 10 a.m.

Phone-in # 1-253-215-8782

Meeting ID 865 1710 7296 Password 299944

TODAY

Coffee hour is hosted today by President Sharon Ray and Vice President Greg Lof. Thank you. Be sure to hang around and socialize and ask more questions or give more suggestions about our long-range plans.

Zoomers have coffee time every Sunday at 10 a.m. Grab a cup of coffee or tea, logon early, and join the conversation!

Volunteer to host a Sunday in December. It's easy—just a couple of pots of coffee and hot water for tea, a package of store-baked cookies, a little fruit. We have begun to reclaim the blessing of fellowship time. It's a great blessing. Sign up on the sheet in the Narthex.

THIS WEEK

Continue to pray for the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America, Presiding Bishop Yeheil Curry, and the 65-member council of bishops as the church embarks on a new era of reckoning with racism and other threats from without and within the church.

Packed with Pride gratefully accepts non-perishable food and hygiene donations. *Especially needed is canned tuna and other canned proteins*. You may leave them in the donation barrel outside the office door or in the donation basket in the Sanctuary. Thank you for your generosity.

Pick up a blue BottleDrop bag for your personal use and benefit Christ the King/Cristo Rey. Simply return the filled bag to any BottleDrop location and scan the barcode.

CONGREGATIONAL MEETING

A special congregational meeting is scheduled for December 7 following worship in-person and on Zoom. Details will be sent the week of Thanksgiving. Watch your email and snail-mail boxes.

COMING UP

Advent begins November 30. It's time to deck the halls! Because this may be the last time we deck these halls, plan to join in the merriment after worship next Sunday, November 30. Share in the joy of decorating the Sanctuary, the Narthex, and maybe even some other spaces? There will be refreshments, or so we have been told. You are welcome to bring your favorite "holiday decorating treats" to share. There will be plenty for everyone to do, even if you can't climb ladders or hang garlands. There are ornaments to be sorted, bows to be fluffed, lights to untangle. There are even joyful tasks for little ones, like taking out the manger scene ... it's really sturdy!

The Reverse Advent Calendar is making a comeback this year. We will be collecting shelf-stable food and ordinary household items for Packed with Pride. Pick up a copy of the calendar, prepare a box for gathering your items, and join in this season of giving back.

GIVING

There are several ways to share your tithes and offerings:

- Place your offering in the plate on Sunday morning.
- Mail a check to the church office (11305 SW Bull Mountain Rd., Tigard, OR 97224).
- Use your bank's online bill-pay service.
- Set up a recurring or single payment through Vanco by visiting our website tigardlutherans.com and clicking on the Donate tab.
- Scan the QR code (right) with your mobile device to go directly to our giving page.



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Welcome one another, therefore, just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God. Romans 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana is a community of children of God who are seeking to know God by following the teachings of Jesus Christ, who welcomed all.

This community of faith is enriched and strengthened by diversity. We welcome all to share in the life and ministries of worship, sacraments, responsibilities, leadership, and blessings of participation in this congregation. We are committed to the work of racial equity.

Believing that God's unbounded love and grace are offered to all and meant to be shared and celebrated by all, we embrace differences of age, race, ethnicity, language, gender identity and expression, sexual orientation, physical and mental abilities, appearance, economic status, marital status, and family situation.

No matter what your life experience is or has been, you are a child of God and you are welcome here.

Por lo tanto, recibios los unos a los otros, como también Cristo nos recibió, para gloria de Dios. Romanos 15:7

Christ the King Lutheran Church/Cristo Rey Iglesia Luterana es una comunidad de hijos e hijas de Dios que buscan conocer a Dios siguiendo las enseñanzas de Jesucristo, quien ampara a todos.

Esta comunidad de fe se enriquece y fortalece con la diversidad. Damos la bienvenida a todos a compartir la vida y los ministerios de adoración, sacramentos, responsabilidades, liderazgo, y bendiciones de participación en esta congregación. Estamos comprometidos con el trabajo de la equidad racial.

Creyendo que el amor y la gracia ilimitados de Dios se ofrecen a todos y están destinados a ser compartidos y celebrados por todos, aceptamos las diferencias de edad, raza, etnia, idioma, identidad y expresión de género, orientación sexual, habilidades físicas y mentales, apariencia, estado económico, estado civil, y situación familiar.

No importa cuál sea o haya sido tu experiencia de vida, eres un hijo(a) de Dios y eres bienvenido(a) aquí.



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