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Worship Team for today:
Presider: Pastor Barb Lemke
Pianist: Cindy Josephson **Hymnists:** Ron & Doris Freund
Reader: Jon Lohmer **Greeter:** **Usher:** Rich Richmond & Marv Kelley
Communion Asst.: Sean Gordon & **Screen/Sound:** Travis Kleven
Youth Offering Asst.: Kiera **Youth Communion Asst.:** Kiera **Acolyte:** Janessa
Video FaceBook: Jamie Villante **YouTube:** Tom Lenahan

His Name is Wonderful

His name is Wonderful,
His name is Wonderful.
His name is Wonderful, Jesus, my Lord.
He is the mighty King, Master of ev'rything,
His name is Wonderful Jesus, my Lord.
He's the Great Shepherd, the Rock of all ages,
Almighty God is He.
Bow down before Him, love and adore Him,
His name is Wonderful Jesus, my Lord.

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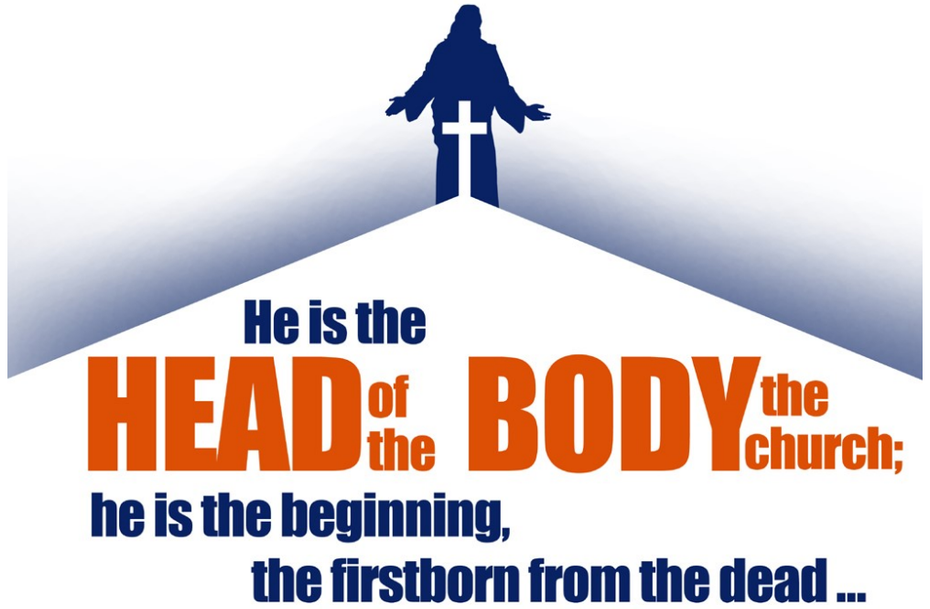
Sunday Worship Service



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Christ the King Sunday

November 23, 2025

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SUNDAY WORSHIP
November 23, 2025
9:30 A.M.

PRELUDE: Cindy Josephson

GATHERING: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" ELW, #634

WELCOME & ANNOUNCEMENTS

CORPORATE PRAYER:
"Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church."

CONFESSION & FORGIVENESS ELW, pp. 94–96

OPENING HYMN: "Crown Him with Many Crowns" ELW, #855

GREETING

KYRIE ELW, p. 184, vv. 3–4

PRAYER OF THE DAY

1ST READING: Jeremiah 23:1–6

PSALM: Psalm 46

2ND READING: Colossians 1:11–20

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: ELW, p. 188

GOSPEL: Luke 23:33–43

CHILDREN'S SERMON Kathy Harrison
Children leave for Sunday School afterwards, and will return for Communion.
Feel free to "pick them up" in the Fellowship Hall if you want them sooner.

HYMN: "When I Survey the Wondrous Cross" ELW, #803

SERMON "Whatever It Takes" Pastor Barb Lemke

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 into hell.*
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 THE CHURCH *see insert*
Thanksgiving for Families:
Glennda Alcaraz
Deb Quattlebaum, Brooklyn, Coraleigh
Delores Rasmussen

OFFERING

OFFERTORY: "We Give Thee but Thine Own" (v. 1) ELW. #686

HOLY COMMUNION

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as in heaven.
Give us today 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.

SONGS DURING COMMUNION:
"His Name is Wonderful" (sing twice) *see back page*
"Abide with Me" ELW, #629
"Now Thank We All Our God" ELW, #840
"Jesus, Remember Me" ELW, #616

POST COMMUNION BLESSING & PRAYER

BENEDICTION

CLOSING SONG: "Soon and Very Soon" ELW, #439

CORPORATE PRAYER:
"Into Your hands we commit our lives. Into Your hands we commit Your church."

GO IN PEACE

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

Recent hospitalizations, illnesses, and concerns:

Laura Thompson *(foot surgery recovery)* Ruth *(Joni Dammen's friend & roommate, cancer)*
Donnie Asmus *(Hetrick's grandson, 11/11 tonsil surgery recovery)*
Stephanie & Bret's premature baby Michael *(Joy's friend)*
Carol Kirkegaard *(11/7 mouth surgery recovery)*

For our homebound members and friends:

Wil Wertz – Jim Craig – Josh Carter

For the families who have lost loved ones:

The family of Dorothy Schulz *(Evelyn Kelley's aunt)*

For those diagnosed with cancer:

Patti Schoenfeld Mike Lemke
Susan Riley *(Lorraine Chambers' friend)*
Ashlyn *(daughter of friend Wade and Lynn Hampton)*
Alicia Michaels *(Mary Katherine Smith's friend)*
Gary *(Andrea Newport's brother-in-law)*
Scott Petrock *(Carol Einertson's son-in-law)*
Tammy Hawley *(Sheila Kelly's boss)*
Linda Hardy
Andrew Carpenter *(Alexa Weaver's friend)*
Rodney Steggs & his mother Rita Johnson *(Hamptons' friends)*
Peggy Russell *(Eddie & Pat Garcia's friend)*
Linda Kirkegaard
Wendy *(Kim Evancho's friend)*
Connie Lovell *(Deloris DeLapp's friend)*
Bob Bliss Patrick Stephenson
Pastor Steve Ruechel
Marv Kelley Mike S. *(Gypsie's friend)*
Summer Stephens *(Doris Freund's niece)*
Heather & Heidi Mortenson *(Lynn Hampton's friends)*
Karen Ryberg *(Sylvia Cowan's niece)*

For those dealing with ongoing concerns:

John & Casey Howshar
Delores Rasmussen & Dan Rasmussen
Eyes: Marvin Bohrer & Bonnie Frank
Ray Johnson Danny Cowan
Kaylee, *friend of Hamptons*
Bill Schmidt *(kidney health)*
Gerald Kelley, *Carol Smith's significant other (Alzheimer's)*
Sylvia Cowan *(leg and heart health)*
Frank Ruhs, *Ev Kelley's brother (heart health)*
Caroline Hailey-Kesler, *Linda Hailey's granddaughter (rare kidney disease)*
Scott Crosby *(recovery from infection)*
Cheryl Gednalske *(leg infection)*
Donna Arntson, *Lynn Hampton's sister-in-law (stroke)*
Matthew Zenn, *Bob's grandson (heart health)*
Craig Mortenson, *Lynn Hampton's friend (health)*
Pastor Barb *(health recovery)*
Mark Craig and his wife Susan, *Pr. Barb's cousin (car accident recovery)*
Michael Sellinger (*Mary Sellinger's son, stroke recovery)*
Paige Petrock *(Carol Einertson's granddaughter, CIDP)*
Lisa Pruitt (*Andrea French's friend, congestive heart failure)*
Braden Elliott *(dislocated shoulder)*
Carol Einertson *(heart & kidney health)*

Welcome!

We welcome all who gather for worship on this day and pray God's blessing on our time together!

Guests are invited to record their visit by signing the Guest Book located at the entrance to the worship space.
All worshippers are invited to sign the red attendance folder in the pew and pass it on to their neighbor to sign.

Upcoming Events

Missions for November – We are collecting monetary donations for Veterans Servant Corps as November's Missions focus. Please mark your checks as Missions in the note field.

Choir – Choir rehearsals will be every Sunday at **8:00** a.m. through most of December.

Cantata and Potluck Breakfast – *Sun., Dec. 7* Please join us for the Choir's Christmas Cantata at worship, as well as a potluck breakfast after. Please make sure all of your items are fully cooked as our ovens are being used only for keeping things warm.

"The Chosen" Bible Study – We have multiple options for "The Chosen" Bible Study groups that meet:
-Sundays after church,
-Tuesdays at 6:30 p.m. via Zoom
-Thursdays at 1 p.m. at the church.

Worship Helpers Needed – Please see sign-up sheets outside the entry to the sanctuary. We are especially in need of greeters, ushers, and communion assistants. ***New sign-up sheets for youth to help with offering, communion, and acolyting are posted. Christmas Eve sign-up also posted.***

Children's Choir Practices start Nov. 23 after Church; meet up at the front by the piano. We will be singing in Church on Dec. 21.

This Week at Bethel
November 23–30, 2025

Sun	8:00	Choir Practice
	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	~10:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Practice
	11 a.m.	Bible Study
	3:00 p.m.	Tongans
Mon	6:00 p.m.	TOPS
Tue		
Wed		
Thu	**Thanksgiving Day *Church Closed***	
Fri	6:00 p.m.	Tongans
Sat		
Sun	8:00 a.m.	Choir Practice
	9:30 a.m.	Worship
	~10:45 a.m.	Children's Choir Practice
	11 a.m.	Bible Study
	12 p.m.	Women's Advent Luncheon
	3 p.m.	Tongans

Women's Advent Salad Luncheon – *Sun., Nov. 30 beginning approximately at noon*. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

Advent Soup Supper and Worship – *Wednesdays before Christmas beginning Dec. 3* Come for a meal at 6 p.m. and join in worship at 7 p.m.

Cards for Ministry – We are collecting CLEAN greeting cards of any kind (except holiday) WITH envelopes for New Beginnings Women's Prison Ministry. Please place them in the labeled bucket on the table in the entryway. **Calendars Too!** We are also collecting new 2026 calendars for this ministry, please drop off donations by Dec. 14.