

In the order of service, the words that are spoken by a leader are in regular type.

#### Words spoken by the assembly are in boldface type.

Instructions for in-person worship.

- ) Keep your mask on at all times, except when receiving communion.
- ) Enjoy the presence of one another as we "speak the peace," wave, smile, make the sign of the Cross. Please do not embrace, hug, kiss, or elbowbump anyone but for immediate family members you are seated with.
- ) Please do not attend worship if you are currently sick with any of the following symptoms: fever, cough, sore throat, shortness of breath, nausea, or diarrhea.
- ) Please do not attend worship if you had close personal contact with anyone who has been diagnosed or is awaiting test results for COVID-19 in the past 14 days.
- ) Notify the Church Office if you receive a positive COVID-19 test result within 7 days of attending a worship service. Your name will be kept anonymous unless required for reporting to the Department of Health.

Christ the King

Sunday, November 21, 2021 • 8:15 a.m. and 10:45 a.m.

Prelude

## Welcome and Announcements

## Invocation

We begin in the name and power of the Creator, + the Redeemer, and the life-and-faith Sustainer.

Amen.

## **Confession and Forgiveness**

True Vine Music / Michael A. Schmid





The pastor declares the absolution over instrumental music.

You take us back to the water. You wash away our sins. You welcome us, O Father, back to your home again. You bless your sons and daughters. Now let the feast begin, let it begin.

Lord, your mercy covers me. Lord, your mercy has set me free. You've forgiven me today, and my sins are washed away, by the cross and empty grave for my soul.

# **Opening Prayer**

Pour out upon us and all your world, O Lord, the grace and peace found only in Jesus Christ, the one true faithful witness to your saving compassion, the firstborn of all the dead, and the one true ruler over the kings of the earth!

So it is to be. Amen.



## Hymn of Praise • "Rejoice, for Christ Is King!"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 430



# Prayer of the Day

Lord, make *our* cry:

The Lord is King, robed in majesty! The Lord is King, girded in strength! The Lord's throne is established forever!

We your servants, friends in Jesus Christ, are yours, O Lord, now and forever. **So it is to be. Amen.** 

# First Reading

A reading from the First Samuel.

## 1 Samuel 8 (The Message)

#### (The sermon will be based upon this text.)

When Samuel got to be an old man, he set his sons up as judges in Israel. His firstborn son was named Joel, the name of his second, Abijah. They were assigned duty in Beersheba. But his sons didn't take after him; they were out for what they could get for themselves, taking bribes, corrupting justice.

Fed up, all the elders of Israel got together and confronted Samuel at Ramah. They presented their case: "Look, you're an old man, and your sons aren't following in your footsteps. Here's what we want you to do: Appoint a king to rule us, just like everybody else."

When Samuel heard their demand—"Give us a king to rule us!"—he was crushed. How awful! Samuel prayed to GOD.

GOD answered Samuel, "Go ahead and do what they're asking. They are not rejecting you. They've rejected me as their King. From the day I brought them out of Egypt until this very day they've been behaving like this, leaving me for other gods. And now they're doing it to you. So let them have their own way. But warn them of what they're in for. Tell them the way kings operate, just what they're likely to get from a king."

So Samuel told them, delivered GOD's warning to the people who were asking him to give them a king. He said, "This is the way the kind of king you're talking about operates. He'll take your sons and make soldiers of them—chariotry, cavalry, infantry, regimented in battalions and squadrons. He'll put some to forced labor on his farms, plowing and harvesting, and others to making either weapons of war or chariots in which he can ride in luxury. He'll put your daughters to work as beauticians and waitresses and cooks. He'll conscript your best fields, vineyards, and orchards and hand them over to his special friends. He'll tax your harvests and vintage to support his extensive bureaucracy. Your prize workers and best animals he'll take for his own use. He'll lay a tax on your flocks and you'll end up no better than slaves. The day will come when you will cry in desperation because of this king you so much want for yourselves. But don't expect GOD to answer."

But the people wouldn't listen to Samuel. "No!" they said. "We will have a king to rule us! Then we'll be just like all the other nations. Our king will rule us and lead us and fight our battles."

Samuel took in what they said and rehearsed it with GOD. GOD told Samuel, "Do what they say. Make them a king."

Then Samuel dismissed the men of Israel: "Go home, each of you to your own city."

The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

## Psalm

A responsive reading from the Psalms.

## Psalm 93

The LORD is king, robed in majesty; the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength. The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.

#### Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.

The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted | up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

#### Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.

Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

# Second Reading

A reading from Revelation.

Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

The Word of the Lord.

#### Thanks be to God.

# **Gospel Acclamation** • "Alleluia"

Holy Communion: Tree of Life Setting



# Gospel

The Holy Gospel according to John.

## Glory to you, O Lord.

John 18:37

Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

The Gospel of our Lord.

## Praise to you, O Christ.

## Sermon

"...so you want a King, do you?..."

Pastor Kim Latterell.

Article referenced in sermon: "14 Characteristics" by Lawrence Britt

## Hymn of the Day • "O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 431



## Nicene Creed

Together, we confess our faith. We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth. of all that is, seen and unseen. We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father; through him all things were made. For us and for our salvation he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate: he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.

We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

We look for the resurrection of the dead,

and the life of the world to come. Amen.

# Prayers of the Church

Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of the world.

Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

A brief silence.

At the conclusion of each petition:

Lord Jesus, love us and free us, and in your mercy,

#### hear our prayers.

God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray.

Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

#### Amen.

# Sharing of the Peace

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

#### And also with you.

# Offering

We give to the Lord of our tithes and offerings.

You can mail an offering to:

Mountain View Lutheran Church 3505 - 122nd Ave E Edgewood WA 98372

You can give electronically:

ONLINE via the MVLC WEBSITE

- ) Visit www.mtviewlutheran.org.
- ) Hover over the "GIVE" dropbox.
- ) Choose "Make a Donation via Bank Account" or "Make a Donation via Credit/Debit Card."
- ) Fill out all information on the page and then click the blue "GIVE" button.
- ) If you want it to remember your information, visit "SIGN IN" and create an account.
- ) NOTE: Online giving is a one-time gift unless you check "Make this Gift Recurring."

For those worshiping in person, you are invited to leave your offering in the offering plates located in the side aisles as you come forward for Holy Communion.

# **Offertory** • "The Promise"

Don Neptun

### Side 1: band side; side 2: pulpit side.





# Offering Prayer

Together, we pray.

Gracious God, help us and every creature to bring honor and praise to Jesus our King.

Blessings abound where Jesus reigns, where prisoners leap to loose their chains, the weary find their rest, and all who suffer want are blest!

Amen.

## Great Thanksgiving

The Lord be with you. And also with you.

Lift up your hearts. We lift them to the Lord.

#### We give thanks to the Lord our God. It is right to give our thanks and praise.

It is indeed right and good that we should everywhere and always offer thanks and praise to you, Holy God, mighty and immortal, through Christ, our Lord who by his death and resurrection is making all things new.

And so with the Church on earth and the hosts of heaven, we praise your name and join their unending hymn. Sanctus • "Holy, Holy, Holy"

Holy Communion: Tree of Life Setting



## Words of Institution

## Lord's Prayer

Lord, remember us in your kingdom and teach us to pray:

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. Amen.

What does this mean?

We ask in this prayer, as in a summary, that our Father in heaven deliver us from all kinds of evil affecting body or soul, property or reputation and at last, when our final hour comes, grant us a blessed end and take us by grace from this valley of tears to himself in heaven.

Communion

A feast of love is offered here for you and for all the saints.

## Distribution

All baptized Christians are welcome to receive the body and blood of Jesus Christ. If you are unable to come forward for communion, then please let an usher know and you will be served where you are seated.

If gluten-free wafers are required for health reasons, then please ask the pastor serving communion for a wafer.

## Lamb of God • "Lamb of God"

Holy Communion: Tree of Life Setting



# Communion Song • "Beautiful Savior"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 838



# Communion Song • "Strange King"

Dancing at the Harvest 61



# Prayer after Communion

Through this meal, O Lord, heal the sick, bring hope to those whose hope is fading.

Mend every wound. Soothe every fevered brow.

Comfort every troubled soul and make whole all people broken by the challenges of life.

Gift us all with courage, patience, strength, and vision for the living of our day and the living out of our faith.

Amen.

# **Deacon Sending**

Deacons are called to "make Christ and his redemptive love known by word and example."

Such love is expressed in the extension of Holy Communion to those who are homebound or hospitalized, and often lonely as well.

Gracious God,

you took the form of a servant, offering yourself as food, comfort, and strength to a sick and hurting world.

Anoint with a servant heart those who take your word and sacrament to our siblings in their homes and in hospitals.

Grant grace, mercy, healing, and hope to those who feast on your body and blood and receive your words of new life.

May we all recognize that we have a place and a home in the body of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Amen.

# Blessing

Jesus is king and for this he was born. He came into the world to testify to the truth, God's truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to Jesus' voice. Now and always, listen to his voice! You belong to the truth! **So it is, and so it is to be forever. Amen!** 



## Sending Hymn • "Soon and Very Soon"

Evangelical Lutheran Worship 439



# Sending

Share the good news!

Jesus reigns where the sun makes its run; Jesus reigns from shore to shore forevermore.

#### Thanks be to God.

## Postlude

Flowers on the altar today are given to the glory of God by Ken and Sandi Swanson in honor of Alexander's baptism.

## Worship Attendance

For those participating in worship from home, please register your worship attendance online at www.mtviewlutheran.org/worshipattendance

# Worship Notes

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Worship leaders include:

#### Both services

- PREACHER: Pastor Kim Latterell.
- PRESIDER: Pastor Briana Merkle.
- WORSHIP ASSISTANT: Todd Kelley.
- DIRECTOR of MUSIC MINISTRIES: Brenna Sage.
- CANTOR: Ellen Leapaldt.
- VIDEOGRAPHER: David Burch.
- ALTAR GUILD: Diksha Knierim, Janet Larson, Karen Lonn.

#### 8:15 a.m.

- USHERS: Fred Albert (head usher), Jeanne Anderson, Skip Harrison.
- GREETER: Diane Tyler.
- CRUCIFER: Michelle Schweikl.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANTS: Janice Harrison, Chris Ray.
- LECTOR: Eileen Newton.
- BAND: Don Neptun, Rod Ray.
- SOUND: Don Neptun.

#### 10:45 a.m.

- USHERS: Mark Cantrell (head usher), John Dahle, Keith Wright.
- GREETER: Mary Beth Dahl.
- CRUCIFER: Eric Dahl.
- ACOLYTES: Alison Hutton, Colin Hutton.
- COMMUNION ASSISTANT: Terry Jensen, Carol Petersen.
- LECTOR: Kevin Dahl.
- BAND: Debbie Hushagen, Jim Hushagen, Bill Kohler, Joan Kohler.
- SOUND: Megan Hutton.

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Altar Guild Poinsettia Sale

This is an opportunity for you to participate in beautifying the sanctuary for Christmas. Please Fill out this form, attach \$10.00 per plant, and return it to the Church Office or place it in the offering plate.

Your Name:\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Plants:

Given in memory or honor of: \_\_\_\_\_

Donation Enclosed:

(Please note that this is considered a donation and does not guarantee that you will receive a plant.)

Thank you, Mountain View Lutheran Altar Guild



# Upcoming Events in Life Together

### **Congregational Meeting TODAY**

Sunday, November 21, 2021 • 12 noon • Life Together Hall / Zoom

We gather to vote on and approve the 2022 Spending Guideline, as well as learn about the mission and ministry of MVLC. Nursery care is available.

Save the dates!

### Thanksgiving Eve Worship

*Wednesday, November 24, 2021 • 7:00 p.m. • Sanctuary* We gather to give thanks to God for the many blessings bestowed upon us!

## Advent Midweeks • "In Darkness and Light"

Wednesday evenings (December 1, 8, 15) • 6:30 p.m. • Life Together Hall

We gather for a meal, fellowship, and worship. This year's Advent Midweeks will combine the three, all centered around the table.

## Adult Education in November and December

#### Sunday mornings • 9:30 a.m. • Life Together Hall

We gather for lifelong faith formation.

- ) 11/21 Bread for the World "writing of letters."
- ) 11/28 Introduction to the Gospel of Luke.
- ) 12/5 Introduction to the Gospel of Luke.
- ) 12/12 Introduction to the Gospel of Luke.
- ) 12/19 No Adult Education.

## **Rock Ministry in November and December**

#### Sunday mornings • 9:30 a.m. • Education Building

- ) 11/21 Regular classes.
- ) 11/28 Advent craft.
- ) 12/5 Cookies and trimmings; Rock families decorate the MVLC Christmas tree in the Sanctuary.
- ) 12/12 Christmas boxes for Tacoma Seafarers.
- ) 12/19 No Rock Ministry.