

# Christ Reigns Sunday



*Christ before Pilate, © Nigel Robert Pugh. Used by permission of artist*

## November 21, 2021

*Peace Lutheran Church*



*West Seattle, Washington*

*Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, the people still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.*



**HOLY COMMUNION:** We will celebrate Holy Communion today. Christ is the host of this meal of grace and is truly present, offering himself with the bread and wine.  
All who want to meet Christ are welcome at this Table.

# + GATHERING +

PRELUDE

*Gelobet seist du, Jesu Christ*

Johann Pachelbel

WELCOME

GATHERING HYMN

*O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us*

ELW #431, verse 1

1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our  
king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose  
praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to  
glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you  
walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.

## GREETING AND PRAYER OF THE DAY

P The grace and peace of the Alpha and the Omega,  
who is, who was, and who is to come, be with you all.

C **And also with you.**

P Let us pray. Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

C **Amen.**

# + WORD +

**FIRST READING: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14**

Kathleen Keyes

*To the community for whom this passage was written, it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: Indeed, it shall end. The Ancient One who is judge will call all nations to account and will give dominion to God's people who are represented by "one like a human being."*

As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne,  
his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool;

his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire.

<sup>10</sup>A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence.

A thousand thousands served him,  
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.

The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

<sup>13</sup>As I watched in the night visions,

I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven.  
And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

<sup>14</sup>To him was given dominion and glory and kingship,  
that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him.

His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away,  
and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

L The word of the Lord. C **Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

ELW #174

*Please rise in body or in spirit as we prepare to receive the gospel.*



P The Holy Gospel according to St. John, the 18<sup>th</sup> chapter.

C **Glory to you, O Lord.**

### GOSPEL: John 18:33-37

*In John's gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power:  
through force or with love.*

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" <sup>34</sup>Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?"

<sup>35</sup>Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" <sup>36</sup>Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world.

If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." <sup>37</sup>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."

P The Gospel of the Lord.

C **Praise to you, O Christ.**

### CHILDREN'S TIME

Katie Streit

*"X's" marking the spots where children may sit during the children's message*

HYMN OF THE DAY

*Before the Ancient One, Christ Stands*

ACS #953



1 Be - fore the An-cient One, Christ stands, en - robed in cloud and  
 2 Who was, who is, and is to come as ser - vant lived in  
 3 Now in the lat - ter days you call, O Christ, and plead the



bright as snow, five wounds im - print his side, feet, hands, and  
 hu - man sphere; com - pas - sion was his di - a - dem; his  
 prem - ise clear, that pow - er grasped is none at all, and



thorns, the gar - land on his brow. Yet thrones and  
 glo - ry was the gen - tle tear; hu - mil - i -  
 serv - ing shows your Spir - it near. As na - tions



pow'rs fall to the knee and weave a song of maj - es - ty,  
 ty, his pur - ple garb; the heal - ing hand, his roy - al orb.  
 clash and wis - dom wanes, as glo - ries tempt and greed sus - tains,



for what the world ad - mires as gain is not the es - sence  
 Such love drew ire and ire drew death, but God has proved the  
 you bid us choose in ev - 'ry hour the pow'r of love, the



of Christ's reign, and strength is his, and name and  
 tru - er strength, and through all space the host pro -  
 great - est pow'r, that love may her - ald God's do -



might, be - cause he pit - ied hu - mans' plight.  
 claims the name a - bove all oth - er names.  
 main, and you, at last, may come to reign.

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Heidi Eilers

A 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.

*Petitions are offered that end with:* A God in your mercy, C **hear our prayer.**

*When all petitions have been offered:*

- A God our hope and strength, we entrust to you all for whom we pray.  
Remain with us always, through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

## THE PEACE

- P The peace of the Lord be with you always.  
C **And also with you.**

## + MEAL +

## ANNOUNCEMENTS AND OFFERING

*Your monetary gifts support the ongoing ministry of our congregation and ELCA ministries around the world. You can give an offering today by connecting to our secure [Tithely Giving Page](#)*

## OFFERTORY

*Now Thank We All Our God*

**ELW #840, verse 1**

Now thank we all our God with hearts and hands and voices,  
who wondrous things has done, in whom this world rejoices;  
who, from our mothers' arms, has blest us on our way  
with countless gifts of love, and still is ours today.

## OFFERTORY PRAYER

- A Let us pray.  
C **Holy God, the Earth is yours and everything in it, yet you have chosen to dwell among your creatures. Come among us now in these gifts of bread and wine, and strengthen us to be your body for the world through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

## THE GREAT THANKSGIVING

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

## EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER

- P It is indeed right, our duty and our joy, that we should in all times and 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.
- P In the night in which he was handed over to death, our Lord Jesus took bread, and gave thanks; broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying:
- C **Take and eat, this is my body, given for you. Do this for the remembrance of me.**

P Again, after supper, he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it for all to drink, saying:

**C This cup is the new covenant in my blood,  
poured out for you and for all people for forgiveness and healing.  
Do this for the remembrance of me.**

P Remembering, therefore, the sacrifice of his life and death and the victory of his resurrection, we await with all the saints his loving redemption of all our suffering world.

**C Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again.**

P Send your Spirit on these gifts of bread and wine, O God,  
and on all who share in the body and blood of your Son;  
that we may become his Body in the world;  
through the same Jesus Christ our Lord.

**C Amen.**

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

**C 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 COMMUNION

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

**C Thanks be to God!**

*Both wine and grape juice are available; gluten-free wafers will be served.*

*Follow the direction of the usher to come forward in pew or family groups.*

## COMMUNION HYMNS

*Beautiful Savior*

**ELW #838, vs. 1, 2, 4**

1. 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.
2. 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.
4. Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations, Son of God and Son of Man!  
Glory and honor, praise and adoration, now and forevermore be thine!

# *I Received the Living God*

ELW #477

*Refrain*



I re - ceived the liv - ing God, and my heart is full of joy.



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- 1 Je - sus said: I am the bread, knead - ed long to give you life;
- 2 Je - sus said: I am the way, and my Fa - ther longs for you;
- 3 Je - sus said: I am the truth; come and fol - low close to me.
- 4 Je - sus said: I am the life, far from whom no thing can grow,



*Refrain*

you who will par - take of me need not ev - er fear to die.  
so I come to bring you home to be one with us a - new.  
You will know me in your heart, and my word shall make you free.  
but re - ceive this liv - ing bread, and my Spir - it you shall know.

## **POST-COMMUNION PRAYER**

**A** Let us pray. Blessed Jesus, at this table you have been for us both host and meal.  
Now send us forth to extend our tables and to share your gifts  
until that day when all feast together at your heavenly banquet.

**C** Amen.

## **+ SENDING +**

## **BLESSING**

**P** The Triune God, the beginning and the end, who has written your name in the book of life,  
+ bless and keep you in grace and peace from this time forth and forevermore.

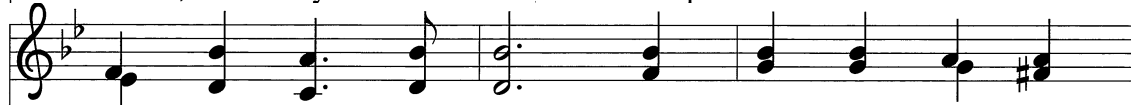
**C** Amen.



1 O Christ, what can it mean for us to claim you as our  
 2 You came, the im - age of our God, to heal and to for -  
 3 Though some would make their great - ness felt and lord it o - ver  
 4 You chose a hum - ble hu - man form and shunned the world's re -



king? What roy - al face have you re - vealed whose  
 give, to shed your blood for sin - ners' sake that  
 all, you said the first must be the last and  
 nown; you died for us up - on a cross with



praise the church would sing? As - pir - ing not to  
 we might rise and live. To break the law of  
 ser - vice be our call. O Christ, in work - place,  
 thorns your on - ly crown. But still, be - yond the



glo - ry's height, to pow - er, wealth, and fame, you  
 death you came, the law of love to bring: a  
 church, and home, let none to pow - er cling; for  
 span of years, our glad ho - san - nas ring, for



walked a dif - f'rent, low - ly way, an - oth - er's will your aim.  
 dif - f'rent rule of righ - teous - ness, a dif - f'rent kind of king.  
 still, through us, you come to serve, a dif - f'rent kind of king.  
 now at God's right hand you reign, a dif - f'rent kind of king!

A Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

C Thanks be to God!

POSTLUDE


*Nun Danket alle Gott*

Georg Kaufmann





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## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### ADVENT BEGINS NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28

And even though we are not able to be together for our cross-generational Advent Fest this year, we can still mark some of our Peace Advent traditions at home! The education team is assembling "Advent Kits" which include the essential Advent Log, and other favorites from our traditional Advent Fest celebration! *You can sign up for a kit for your household by using this form:* <https://forms.gle/KwN21c7r4ZM54Ncc9> Please also indicate how you would like to receive your kit—we have both delivery and pick-up options.

**Please reserve your Kit by TODAY, November 22nd!**

### NO THANKSGIVING EVE SERVICE AND PIE POTLUCK

Due to the pandemic, we will not be hosting a Thanksgiving Eve Service and pie potluck this year. However, you are invited to consider making a donation either to the Peace **AGAPE FUND** or to the [ELCA HUNGER APPEAL](#).

### DECEMBER 5: A FIRST LOOK AT FUNDING OUR MISSION IN 2022

Early in December each year the council provides an opportunity to preview and comment on the coming year's budget, which is now under development now for 2022. This year, that opportunity is scheduled for Sunday, December 5th following Worship. We will be utilizing ZOOM and YouTube to enable remote participation. Specific directions for how to connect will be shared closer to December 5 meeting date.

## ELECTIONS FOR CHURCH COUNCIL COMING UP

Would you like to serve as a member of our congregation's Church Council? There are leadership positions on the Council opening up in January. The council meets once a month to support our ongoing mission, including the discussion of budgets, policies, and the operations of the church. Church council members are the governing body of the church in between congregational meetings. They work as liaisons between the council and all the church committees and ministry teams. The council is comprised of a group of individuals who work hard to maintain a positive, Christian experience for everyone who attends Peace Lutheran Church. **We need you!** If you are interested in exploring the possibility of becoming a church council member please contact Marcia Olson, Heidi Eilers, or Kathleen Keyes. Nominees must have been a member of Peace for 1 year. Elections take place at the Annual Meeting on January 30<sup>th</sup>.

## PRAYER LIST

**Please continue to remember the sick and home-bound of our congregation and others who have sought our prayers:** **Sick/Recovering:** Jim Baker; Catherine Bell; Connie Benjamin; John Berrell; Joyce Berrell; Cindy Collie; Gavriella DeBoer; Deyhdra Dennis-Weiss; Dean Franz; Keili Geller; Nathaniel Gibson; Doug Hauger; Jerry Heiland; Tim Herriford; Mackenzie Hull; Jeffry; Ken Keyes; Ann Kimmel; Kristofer Kindem; Mike Larson; Dee Levy; Maya Marshall; Bill Marts; Lynn McCracken; Bill Morrell; Bill Nandor; JoAnn Nandor; John & Renee Parker; Mitch Shepard; Bob & Rosemary Smalding; Aaden Smith; Leon Smith; JoAnne Spangler; Sean Stephens; Kim Sundbloom; Sarah Taylor; Karin VanSant; Louisa Wagner; Nanette Wichman

**Homebound:** Al Bartol; Lee Lamson; Dorothy Linnell; Joyce Wolff

**We express our Christian sympathy to the family of Glenda Hicks** who passed away this last week. She was Carie Lorensen's mother. Carie was the former bookkeeper at Peace.

## RECONCILING IN CHRIST AFFIRMATION OF WELCOME

*Christ calls us to reconciliation and wholeness, in a world that can be filled with alienation and brokenness. In faithfulness to the Gospel and to our Lutheran heritage, we answer Christ's call to be agents of healing and safety, particularly for people who have been marginalized by our society. As a Christian community, we invite all people to join us as we work to better understand the meaning of grace for our lives. We welcome people of all sexual orientations and gender identities into the life and mission of our congregation.*

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