



ST. ELISABETH'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

*The Last Sunday after Pentecost: Proper 29
Christ the King*

November 26, 2023

10:00 AM

Welcome to Saint Elisabeth's. We are delighted to have you with us today.



*Food for the Hungry, Drink for the Thirsty
Relief Sculpture, Hospital of the Holy Spirit, Biberach, Germany*

This faith community invites all persons to all levels of participation, leadership and decision-making within the church regardless of sexual orientation, gender identity, race, ethnicity, age, physical or mental capacity, education, socioeconomic and marital status. We seek to establish meaningful connections with one another through work and play and worship as we strive to understand God's purpose for us in the church and in the world.

Ordinary Time: Creation

The Season after Pentecost is not actually a season with a single common focus, but is simply the weeks between the Day of Pentecost and the First Sunday of Advent. It is often called “Ordinary Time.” These weeks hold both the slower pace and peaceful quality of summer months and the quicker pace and flurry of activity in the early fall. These are our “ordinary” days, in which we live the Christian faith in our daily lives.

During these weeks, as the liturgical scholar Leonel Mitchell puts it, we celebrate “the time in which we actually live — the period between the Pentecost and the Second Advent.” Two thousand years after the first Pentecost, the church still lives in this “in between” time before the fulfillment of time in Christ’s second coming. You might also hear these weeks called “the long, green season,” referring both to the green color of the vestments and altar hangings for these weeks as well as to the summertime of year in which many of the weeks fall in the northern hemisphere.

After Pentecost we settle into the growing season, nourishing the seeds planted at Easter and putting down roots in our faith.

From Daily Prayer for All Seasons

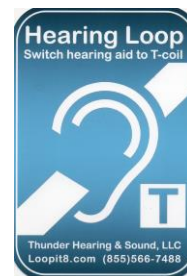
Entering in

The Shambhala, Tibetan Buddhist, definition of monarch is someone who is very raw and sensitive, willing to open his or her heart to others...The way to rule the universe is to expose your heart, so that others can see it beating

Chogyam Trungpa

Practice

Take time to contemplate Christ as the one who opens his heart to others and our own call to follow that same path. Where might you open your heart?



The Holy Eucharist

Prelude

Opening Hymn

Please stand as able.

Hymnal 494

“Crown him with many crowns”

Diademata

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne; Hark!
 2 Crown him the Son of God be - fore the worlds be - gan, and
 3 Crown him the Lord of life, who tri - umphed o'er the grave, and
 4 Crown him of lords the Lord, who o - ver all doth reign, who
 5 Crown him the Lord of heaven, en - throned in worlds a - bove; Crown

1 how the heaven - ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own; a -
 2 ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son of man; who
 3 rose vic - to - rious in the strife for those he came to save; his
 4 once on earth, the in - car - nate Word, for ran - somed sin - ners slain, now
 5 him the King, to whom is given the won - drous name of Love. Crown

1 wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee, and
 2 ev - ery grief hath known that wrings the hu - man breast, and
 3 glo - ries now we sing who died, and rose on high, who
 4 lives in realms of light, where saints with an - gels sing their
 5 him with man - y crowns, as thrones be - fore him fall, crown

1 hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 2 takes and bears them for his own, that all in him may rest.
 3 died, e - ter - nal life to bring, and lives that death may die.
 4 songs be - fore him day and night, their God, Re - deem - er, King.
 5 him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, for he is King of all.

Opening Acclamation

Presider Blessed be the one, holy, and living God.

Assembly **Glory to God forever and ever.**

Gloria

Hymnal S280

“Glory to God”

Powell

1. Glo - ry to God in the high - est, and
 peace to his peo - ple on earth. 2. Lord God, heaven - ly
 King, al - might - y God and Fa - ther, we wor - ship you, we
 give you thanks, we praise you for your glo - ry. 3. Lord Je - sus

Christ, on - ly Son of the Fa-ther, Lord God, Lamb of God, 4. you
take a - way the sin of the world: have mer - cy
on us; 5. you are seat - ed at the right hand of the Fa-ther: re -
ceive our prayer. 6. For you a - lone are the Ho - ly One,
you a - lone are the Lord, 7. you a - lone are the Most
High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spi - rit, in the
glo - ry of God the Fa - ther. A - men.

Collect of the Day

Presider God be with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Presider Let us pray.

Destitute king, one with the hungry, the naked, and the scorned: may our faith be proved not in dogma and piety but in serving you in the last and the least; through Jesus Christ, the stranger's Lord.

Assembly **Amen.**

Please be seated for the lessons.

Word of God

First Reading

Ezekiel 34:11-16,20-24

A Reading from the Prophet Ezekiel.

Thus says the Lord God: I myself will search for my sheep, and will seek them out. As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick darkness. I will bring them out from the peoples and gather them from the countries, and will bring them into their own land; and I will feed them on the mountains of Israel, by the watercourses, and in all the inhabited parts of the land. I will feed them with good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel shall be their pasture; there they shall lie down in good grazing land, and they shall feed on rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. I myself will be the shepherd of my sheep, and I will make them lie down, says the Lord God. I will seek the lost, and I will bring back the strayed, and I will bind up the injured, and I will strengthen the weak, but the fat and the strong I will destroy. I will feed them with justice.

Therefore, thus says the Lord God to them: I myself will judge between the fat sheep and the lean sheep. Because you pushed with flank and shoulder, and butted at all the weak animals with your horns until you scattered them far and wide, I will save my flock, and they shall no longer be ravaged; and I will judge between sheep and sheep.

I will set up over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he shall feed them: he shall feed them and be their shepherd. And I, the Lord, will be their God, and my servant David shall be prince among them; I, the Lord, have spoken.

Reader
Assembly

Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm

Psalm 95:1-7

Antiphon

The musical score is written on two staves, a treble clef on top and a bass clef on the bottom. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The melody is in the treble clef, and the bass line is in the bass clef. The lyrics are: 'Come, let us sing to the LORD.' The word 'LORD.' is written in all caps. The music consists of a series of quarter and eighth notes, with some notes beamed together. There are several slurs over the melody. The piece ends with a double bar line.

- 1 Come, let us sing to the LORD; *
let us shout for joy to the Rock of our salvation.
- 2 Let us come before his presence with thanksgiving *
and raise a loud shout to him with psalms.

[Antiphon]

- 3 For the LORD is a great God, *
and a great King above all gods.
- 4 In his hand are the caverns of the earth, *
and the heights of the hills are his also.
- 5 The sea is his, for he made it, *
and his hands have molded the dry land.

[Antiphon]

- 6 Come, let us bow down, and bend the knee, *
and kneel before the LORD our Maker.
- 7 For he is our God,
and we are the people of his pasture and the sheep of his hand.

[Antiphon]

Second Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

A Reading from the first letter of Paul to the Ephesians.

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love toward all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I 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, so 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, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power. God 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, far 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. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Reader Hear what the Spirit is saying to God's people.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

Stand for the Gospel, as able.

Gospel Acclamation

"Alleluia, alleluia"

Alleluia

Cantor Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Assembly **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

Cantor For God is the King of all the earth:
sing ye praises with understanding.

Assembly **Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia**

All face the Gospel Book.

Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46

Gospeler The Holy Gospel of our Savior Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Assembly **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

Jesus said, "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. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. Then 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; for 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, I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.' Then 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? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?' And 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.' Then 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; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I 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.' Then 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?' Then 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.' And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

Gospeler The Gospel of the Lord.

Assembly **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

Sermon

The Rev. Adam Spencer

A period of silence follows.

Creed

Moravian Book
Of Worship 699

“We believe in God the Father”

Lux eoi

1 We be-lieve in God the Fa-ther, God Al-might-y, by whose plan
2 Christ, who on the cross for-sak-en, like a lamb to slaugh-ter led,
3 We be-lieve in God the Spir-it; in one church, be-low, a-bove:

earth and heav-en sprang to be-ing, all cre-at-ed things be-gan.
suf-fered un-der Pon-tius Pi-late, he de-scend-ed to the dead.
saints of God in one com-mu-nion, one in ho-li-ness and love.

We be-lieve in Christ the Sav-ior, Son of God in hu-man frame,
We be-lieve in Je-sus ris-en, heav-en's king to rule and reign,
So by faith, our sins for-giv-en, Christ our Sav-ior, Lord and Friend,

vir-gin-born, the child of Mar-y up-on whom the Spir-it came.
to the Fa-ther's side as-cend-ed till as judge he comes a-gain.
we shall rise with him in glo-ry to the life that knows no end.

Prayers of the People*Common Worship**Intercessor*

Let us give thanks to God, the God of all peoples of the earth. For the color and forms of your creation and our place within it, we bring our thanks, good Lord:

Assembly

Your mercy endures for ever.

Intercessor

For our daily food, and for those whose work and skill bring your good gifts to us, we bring our thanks, good Lord:

Assembly

Your mercy endures for ever.

Intercessor

For the gifts and graces inspired in human minds and hearts; for insight and imagination, for the skills of research which bring healing and fulfilment to the lives of many; we bring our thanks, good Lord:

Assembly

Your mercy endures for ever.

Intercessor

For the light and shades of the changing seasons, and their variety and dependability; for new life and growth out of barrenness and decay; we bring our thanks, good Lord:

Assembly

Your mercy endures for ever.

Intercessor

For all in whose lives we see goodness, kindness, gentleness, patience and humility, and all the fruits of the Spirit, we bring our thanks, good Lord:

Assembly

Your mercy endures for ever.

Intercessor

For the life we have been given, and for all those whom you have given us to share it with, we bring our thanks, good Lord:

Assembly

Your mercy endures for ever.

Intercessor

We pray for the Diocese of Chicago and Paula our bishop, for Michael our Presiding Bishop, for Justin Archbishop of Canterbury, and we give thanks for the Anglican Communion around the world. Lord of all fellowship:

Assembly

Hear our prayer.

Intercessor We pray for governments and aid agencies and their leaders, and those areas of the world where there is disaster, drought, and starvation. For the agencies and ministries which our congregation supports: Interfaith Action Soup Kitchen, Family Promise, New Trier Township Food Pantry, ReVive Center for Housing and Healing, Northshore Welcome Migrant Ministry, and Orphans of the Storm. By the grace of your Spirit, touch our hearts, and the hearts of all who live in comfortable plenty, and make us wise stewards of your gifts. Lord of all justice:

Assembly **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We pray for those who are sick and suffering, and for those who have asked for our prayers, especially:

Bishop Michael Curry
The people of Israel and Palestine
Walter Tuohy, John Tuohy's brother
All those affected by gun violence
Barbara Newman, Carla Arnell's friend

are there others?...

Lord of all compassion:

Assembly **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We remember those who have died, particularly for those we now name silently or aloud.

The assembly may share aloud or silently.

We entrust them to your eternal love in the hope of resurrection to new life. Lord of all peace:

Assembly **Hear our prayer.**

Intercessor We offer ourselves to your service, asking that by the Spirit at work in us others may receive a rich harvest of love and joy and peace. Lord of all faithfulness:

Assembly **Hear our prayer.**

Confession*Enriching Our Worship*

Presider Let us confess our sins to God.

Assembly **God of all mercy, we confess that we have sinned against you, opposing your will in our lives. We have denied your goodness in each other, in ourselves, and in the world you have created. We repent of the evil that enslaves us, the evil we have done, and the evil done on our behalf. Forgive, restore, and strengthen us through our Savior Jesus Christ, that we may abide in your love and serve only your will. Amen.**

Absolution

Presider Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through the grace of Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Assembly **Amen.**

Peace

Presider The peace of Christ be always with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Please offer one another a sign of God's Peace.

Welcome and Announcements

Birthdays

11-29 Jay Alter

Anniversaries

Those celebrating Birthdays and Anniversaries are invited to come forward for a blessing.

Celebration of Birthdays and Anniversaries

Presider

God, thank you for the days of our lives: Look with joy, we pray, on N. and all celebrating birthdays as they begin another year. Grant that they may grow in wisdom and grace, and strengthen their trust in your goodness all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Assembly

Amen.

Presider

God of our strength and joy, we thank you for the love we witness between two people because through their love for each other we get a glimpse of the love you have for each and every one of us. Through the power of your spirit may N.& N. live in fidelity and peace and obtain those eternal joys prepared for all who seek and love you, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Assembly

Amen.

Holy Communion

Offertory Sentence

Presider Walk in love, as Christ loved us and gave himself for us, an offering and sacrifice to God. *(Ephesians 5:2)*

Collection

If you are financially able to support the mission of St. Elisabeth's, please put your offering in the collection plate as it is passed or use the QR code to donate online.



Offertory Hymn

Hymnal 615

"Thy Kingdom come!"

St. Flavian

1 "Thy king - dom come!" on bend - ed knee the pass - ing a - ges pray;
 2 But the slow watch - es of the night not less to God be - long;
 3 And lo, al - rea - dy on the hills the flags of dawn ap - pear;
 4 the day to whose clear shin - ing light all wrong shall stand re - vealed,
 5 when know - ledge, hand in hand with peace, shall walk the earth a - broad;

1 and faith - ful souls have yearned to see on earth that king - dom's day.
 2 and for the ev - er - last - ing right the si - lent stars are strong.
 3 gird up your loins, ye pro - phet souls, pro - claim the day is near:
 4 when jus - tice shall be throned in might, and ev - ery hurt be healed;
 5 the day of per - fect right - eous - ness, the prom - ised day of God.

Doxology

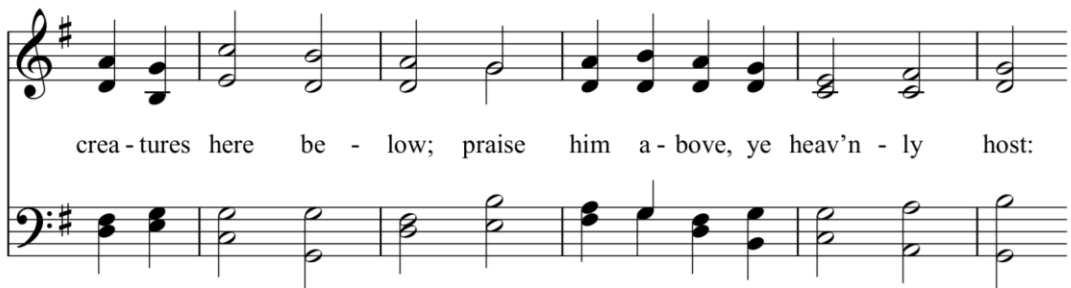
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“Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

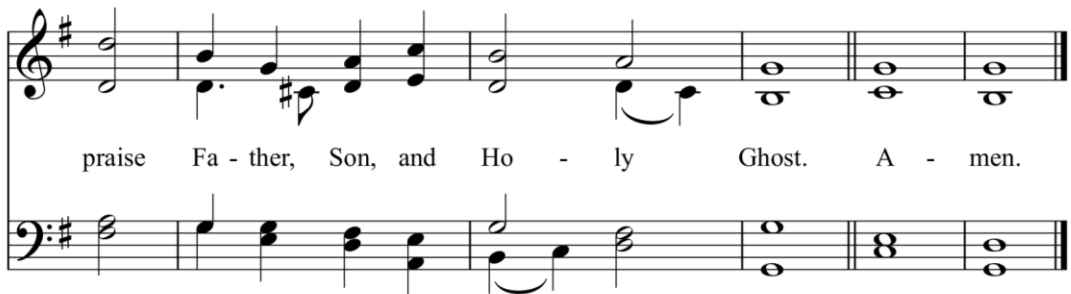
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Praise God from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all



creatures here below; praise him above, ye heav'nly host:



praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

Great Thanksgiving*Common Worship*

Presider God be with you.

Assembly **And also with you.**

Presider Lift up your hearts.

Assembly **We lift them to the Lord.**

Presider Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

Presider Lord of all life, you created the universe, where all living things reflect your glory. You give us this great and beautiful earth, to discover and to cherish.

You give us sun and moon and star-lit sky, everything that gives us light, light for our eyes, our hearts, our minds. You give us the fish in the sea, the birds of the air, and every plant and tree; the life that sleeps in the winter earth, and awakens again in the spring. You give us your love, even when things go wrong. Jesus knew hurt and pain. Through him you wipe away our tears, and fill us with your peace. You give us happy times and things to celebrate. In these we taste your kingdom, a feast for all your children.

You made us all, each wonderfully different, to join with the angels and sing your praise:

Sanctus

Hymnal S129

“Holy, holy, holy”

Powell

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, God of pow-er and
 might, hea - ven and earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho -
 san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who
 comes in the name of the Lord. Ho - san - na in the high - est._____

The assembly may stand or kneel.

Presider

We thank you, loving God, because, when we turned away from you, you sent Jesus, your Son. He gave his life for us on the cross and shows us the way to live. Send your Holy Spirit that these gifts of bread and wine may be for us Christ's body and his blood.

On the night before he died, at supper with his friends, Jesus took bread. He gave thanks, broke it, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my body, given for you. Do this to remember me."

After they had eaten, he took the cup of wine, gave thanks, and shared it with his disciples, saying: "This is my blood, poured out for all, for the forgiveness of sins. Do this to remember me."

So, with this bread and this cup we celebrate Christ's love, death, and risen life.

As you feed us with these gifts, change us more and more to be like Jesus our Savior. Help us, God, to love one another, as we look forward to that day when suffering is ended, and all creation is gathered in your loving arms. And now with Elisabeth and all your saints we give you glory, through Jesus Christ, in the strength of the Spirit, today and for ever.

Assembly **Amen.**

Lord's Prayer

Presider And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

Assembly **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,
 for ever and ever. Amen.**

Breaking of the Bread

The Presider breaks the consecrated bread. A period of silence is kept.

Fraction Anthem

Wonder Love and
Praise 867

“The bread which we break”

Haywood

The bread which we break is a shar - ing in the

Bo - dy of Christ. We be - ing ma - ny are one

bread, one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread.

The image shows a musical score for a hymn. It consists of three staves of music in G major (one flat). The first staff is in 4/4 time and contains the lyrics 'The bread which we break is a shar - ing in the'. The second staff is in 3/4 time and contains the lyrics 'Bo - dy of Christ. We be - ing ma - ny are one'. The third staff is in 3/4 time and contains the lyrics 'bread, one bo - dy, for we all share in the one bread.' The music is written in a simple, accessible style with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat.

Invitation to Communion

Presider

The Gifts of God for the People of God.

All are welcome to come forward to receive Communion or a blessing at this time.

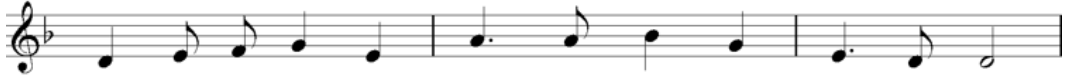
Gluten-free host available upon request.

If you would prefer to receive a blessing instead of the sacrament, please cross your arms over your chest.

Communion Hymn

Hymnal 605

"What does the Lord require"

Sharpthorne

1 What does the Lord re - quire for praise and of - fer - ing?
 2 Ru - lers of earth, give ear! Should you not jus - tice show?
 3 Still down the a - ges ring the pro - phet's stern com-mands.
 4 How shall my soul ful - fill God's law so hard and high?



What sac - ri - fice de - sire, or trib - ute bid you bring?
 Will God your plead - ing hear, while crime and cruel - ty grow?
 To mer - chant, work - er, king he brings God's high de - mands.
 Let Christ en - due our will with grace to for - ti - fy.



Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
 Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
 Do just - ly; love mer - cy; walk hum - bly with your God.
 Then just - ly; in mer - cy we'll (hum-bly walk with God.)



hum - bly walk with God.

Post Communion Prayer*Enriching our Worship**Please stand as able.**Presider* Let us pray.*Assembly*

God of abundance, you have fed us with the bread of life and cup of salvation; you have united us with Christ and one another; and you have made us one with all your people in heaven and on earth. Now send us forth in the power of your Spirit, that we may proclaim your redeeming love to the world and continue for ever in the risen life of Christ our Savior. Amen.

Blessing*Presider*

May God, who is the source of all goodness and growth, pour a blessing upon all things created, and upon you, that you may use the gifts you've been given to God's glory and for the welfare of all peoples; and the blessing of Almighty God, Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer of all, be upon you and remain with you always.

*Assembly***Amen.****Closing Hymn**

Hymnal 450

"All hail the power of Jesus' Name!"

Coronation

1 All hail the power of Je - sus' Name! Let an - gels pros - trate
 2 Crown him, ye mar - tyrs of our God, who from his al - tar
 3 Hail him, the Heir of Da - vid's line, whom Da - vid Lord did
 * 4 Ye heirs of Is - rael's cho - sen race, ye ran - somed of the
 * 5 Sin - ners, whose love can ne'er for - get the worm - wood and the

1 fall; bring forth the roy - al di - a - dem, and
 2 call: praise him whose way of pain ye trod, and
 3 call, the God in - car - nate, Man di - vine, and
 4 fall, hail him who saves you by his grace, and
 5 gall, go, spread your tro - phies at his feet, and

1 crown him Lord of all! bring forth the roy - al
 2 crown him Lord of all! praise him whose way of
 3 crown him Lord of all! the God in - car - nate,
 4 crown him Lord of all! hail him who saves you
 5 crown him Lord of all! go, spread your tro - phies

1 di - a - dem, and crown him Lord of all!
 2 pain ye trod, and crown him Lord of all!
 3 Man di - vine, and crown him Lord of all!
 4 by his grace, and crown him Lord of all!
 5 at his feet, and crown him Lord of all!

6 Let every kindred, every tribe,
 on this terrestrial ball,
 to him all majesty ascribe,
 and crown him Lord of all!

Dismissal

Presider Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.

Assembly **Thanks be to God.**

Postlude**Assisting Today**

First Reading	Susan Whipple
Second Reading	Susan Newcomb
Prayers	Peter Rossiter
Altar Guild	Susan Chadd, Lauren Edelston, Carrie Mygatt
Usher	Phil Miller
Coffee Hour	Susan Newcomb

This Week

Monday, November 27	AA Meeting (8:00 PM)
Wednesday, November 29	Boy Scout Troop #28 (7:15 PM)
Thursday, November 30	Spoken Eucharist: Rite II (7:30 AM)
	Choir Rehearsal (7:30 PM)
Friday, December 1	Bible Study (11:00 AM)
Saturday, November 2	AA Meeting (5:00 PM)
	Confirmation & Christianity 101 at Trinity (4:30 PM)

Up Next

<u>Sunday, December 3</u>	Spoken Eucharist: Rite I (8:00 AM)
	Choir Rehearsal (9:00 AM)
	Choral Eucharist: Rite II (10:00 AM)
	Advent Wreath Making (11:30 AM)
December 7	Spoken Eucharist: Rite II (7:30 AM)
	Choir Rehearsal (7:30 PM)
December 8	ReVive Boxes due in church by (9:00 AM)
	Bible Study (11:00 AM)

Announcements

ReVive Christmas Baskets: The boxes are **due back to the church by 9:00 AM on Friday, December 8.**

Advent Wreath Making: Come One, Come All to join in a wonderful St. Elisabeth's holiday tradition of making Advent wreaths. This year we'll be gathering **after the 10:00 AM service Next Sunday, December 3.** For anyone that is not able to attend but interested in making a wreath, please let us know and we can set aside kits for you to make at home. If you have any questions, please reach out to Polly & Jim Baur. We will request that you donate \$20 for each wreath. There will be a sign-up sheet on the Bulletin Board in the hall, or email Pam in the office to sign up.

Christmas Flower & Music Dedications. If you would like to make a donation and dedication for the flowers and/or music for Christmas, there are forms at the back of the church, please print legibly. To ensure you are included in the Christmas bulletin, return the form with your donation check to the church office no later than **Friday, December 15.** Please write "*Christmas Flowers & Music*" in the memo line of your check.

Sunday Forum - An Introduction to Saint Paul: We begin a new liturgical year with the First Sunday of Advent on **December 3.** During this upcoming liturgical year, Adam has decided he will be preaching (usually) on the second reading rather than the Gospel - a sort of yearlong Bible study of the rest of the New Testament. Since many of those lessons will come from the Letters of Paul, Adam will be offering a Sunday forum **TODAY at coffee hour** to provide an Introduction to Saint Paul. Grab a cup of coffee and head over to the Guild Room as we learn a bit about the person who is quite possibly the second most important figure in Christian history after Jesus himself!

Weekday Worship: Come join Adam before work or school at **7:30 AM every Thursday** for a short service of Holy Communion with a brief homily on the readings assigned for the day.

St. Elisabeth's Bible Study meets weekly on **Fridays at 11:00 AM** in the Guild Room. For more information, contact Mark Tilton.

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Sunday Schedule

8:00 AM Spoken Eucharist: Rite I
9:00 AM Choir Rehearsal
10:00 AM Choral Eucharist: Rite II

Office Hours

Tuesday by appointment, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM
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