

# CHRIST THE KING

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# SUNDAY

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# Christ the King Sunday November 20, 2022

## Divine Service 4 (pp. 203ff.)

### The Pre-service Music, the Call to Worship & Welcome

### The Opening Hymn: LSB 905 “Come, Thou Almighty King”

1 Come, Thou al - might - y King, Help us Thy  
2 Come, Thou in - car - nate Word, Gird on Thy  
3 Come, ho - ly Com - fort - er, Thy sa - cred  
4 To Thee, great One in Three, E - ter - nal

name to sing; Help us to praise; Fa - ther all -  
might - y sword; Our prayer at - tend. Come and Thy  
wit - ness bear In this glad hour! Thou, who al -  
prais - es be Hence ev - er - more! Thy sov - 'reign

glo - ri - ous, O'er all vic - to - ri - ous,  
And give Thy Word suc - cess,  
might - y art, Now rule in ev - 'ry heart,  
maj - es - ty May we in glo - ry see,

Come and reign o - ver us, An - cient of Days.  
And let Thy righ - teous - ness On us de - scend.  
And ne'er from us de - part, Spir - it of pow'r.  
And to e - ter - ni - ty Love and a - dore.

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Tune: Felice de Giardini, 1716–96  
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- P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C** Amen.
- P** Our help is in the name of the Lord,  
**C** who made heaven and earth.
- P** If You, O Lord, kept a record of sins, O Lord, who could stand?
- C** But with You there is forgiveness; therefore You are feared.

**P** Since we are gathered to hear God’s Word, call upon Him in prayer and praise, and receive the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ in the fellowship of this altar, let us first consider our unworthiness and confess before God and one another that we have sinned in thought, word, and deed, and that we cannot free ourselves from our sinful condition. Together as His people let us take refuge in the infinite mercy of God, our heavenly Father, seeking His grace for the sake of Christ, and saying: God, be merciful to me, a sinner.

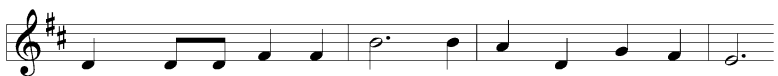
**C** **Almighty God, have mercy upon us, forgive us our sins, and lead us to everlasting life. Amen.**

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the  $\text{†}$  Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** **Amen.**

+Service of the Word+

**A Hymn of Praise: LSB 525 “Crown Him with Many Crowns” (*The choir will sing verse 3.*)**



1 Crown Him with man - y crowns, The Lamb up - on His throne;  
 2 Crown Him the vir - gin's Son, The God in - car - nate born,  
 3 Crown Him the Lord of love. Be - hold His hands and side,  
 4 Crown Him the Lord of life, Who tri - umphed o'er the grave  
 5 Crown Him the Lord of heav'n, En - throned in worlds a - bove,



Hark how the heav'n-ly an - them drowns All mu - sic but its own.  
 Whose arm those crim-son tro - phies won Which now His brow a-dorn:  
 Rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, In beau - ty glo - ri - fied.  
 And rose vic - to - rious in the strife For those He came to save.  
 Crown Him the king to whom is giv'n The won-drous name of Love.



A - wake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee, And  
 Fruit of the mys - tic rose, Yet of that rose the stem, The  
 No an - gels in the sky Can ful - ly bear that sight, But  
 His glo - ries now we sing, Who died and rose on high, Who  
 Crown Him with man - y crowns As thrones be - fore Him fall; Crown



hail Him as thy match-less king Through all e - ter - ni - ty.  
 root whence mer - cy ev - er flows, The babe of Beth - le - hem.  
 down-ward bend their won-d'ring eyes At mys - ter - ies so bright.  
 died e - ter - nal life to bring And lives that death may die.  
 Him, ye kings, with man - y crowns, For He is king of all.

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## The Salutation and Prayer of the Day

- P** The Lord be with you.
- C** **And also with you.**
- P** Let us pray. Lord Jesus Christ, You reign among us by the preaching of Your cross. Forgive Your people their offenses that we, being governed by Your bountiful goodness, may enter at last into Your eternal paradise; for You live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.
- C** **Amen.**

## The Old Testament Lesson: Malachi 3:13–18

<sup>13</sup>“Your words have been hard against me, says the LORD. But you say, ‘How have we spoken against you?’ <sup>14</sup>You have said, ‘It is vain to serve God. What is the profit of our keeping his charge or of walking as in mourning before the LORD of hosts? <sup>15</sup>And now we call the arrogant blessed. Evildoers not only prosper but they put God to the test and they escape.’”  
<sup>16</sup>Then those who feared the LORD spoke with one another. The LORD paid attention and heard them, and a book of remembrance was written before him of those who feared the LORD and esteemed his name. <sup>17</sup>“They shall be mine,

says the LORD of hosts, in the day when I make up my treasured possession, and I will spare them as a man spares his son who serves him. <sup>18</sup>Then once more you shall see the distinction between the righteous and the wicked, between one who serves God and one who does not serve him.”

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

**A Song: "How Majestic is Your Name"**

Oh Lord our Lord how majestic is  
Your name in all the earth  
Oh Lord our Lord how majestic is  
Your name in all the earth  
Oh Lord we praise Your name  
Oh Lord we magnify Your name  
Prince of Peace Mighty God  
Oh Lord God Almighty

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**The Epistle Lesson: Colossians 1:13–20**

<sup>13</sup>He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, <sup>14</sup>in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. <sup>15</sup>He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. <sup>16</sup>For by him all things were created, in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities—all things were created through him and for him. <sup>17</sup>And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. <sup>18</sup>And he is the head of the body, the church. He is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in everything he might be preeminent. <sup>19</sup>For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, <sup>20</sup>and through him to reconcile to

himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

- A** This is the Word of the Lord.
- C** **Thanks be to God.**

## **A Song of Praise: You Are My King (Amazing Love)**

### **Verse**

I'm forgiven  
Because You were forsaken  
I'm accepted  
You were condemned  
I'm alive and well  
Your Spirit is within me  
Because You died  
And rose again

### **Chorus**

*Amazing love  
How can it be  
That You my King  
Would die for me  
Amazing love  
I know it's true  
It's my joy to honor You  
In all I do I honor You* **(Repeat verse and chorus)**

### **Bridge**

You are my King  
You are my King  
Jesus You are my King  
Jesus You are my King **(Chorus)**

## The Gospel Lesson: Luke 23:27–43

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

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

<sup>27</sup>And there followed [Jesus] a great multitude of the people and of women who were mourning and lamenting for him. <sup>28</sup>But turning to them Jesus said, “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, but weep for yourselves and for your children. <sup>29</sup>For behold, the days are coming when they will say, ‘Blessed are the barren and the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed!’ <sup>30</sup>Then they will begin to say to the mountains, ‘Fall on us,’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us.’ <sup>31</sup>For if they do these things when the wood is green, what will happen when it is dry?” <sup>32</sup>Two others, who were criminals, were led away to be put to death with him. <sup>33</sup>And when they came to the place that is called The Skull, there they crucified him, and the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. <sup>34</sup>And Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they know not what they do.” And they cast lots to divide his garments. <sup>35</sup>And the people stood by, watching, but the rulers scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself, if he is the Christ of God, his Chosen One!” <sup>36</sup>The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine <sup>37</sup>and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” <sup>38</sup>There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.” <sup>39</sup>One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!” <sup>40</sup>But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? <sup>41</sup>And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong.” <sup>42</sup>And he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” <sup>43</sup>And he said to him, “Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.

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

**The Apostles' Creed**

**C** I believe in God, the Father Almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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.  
The third day He rose again from the dead.  
He ascended into heaven  
and sits at the right hand of God the Father  
Almighty.

From thence He will come to judge the  
living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Christian Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life † everlasting. Amen.

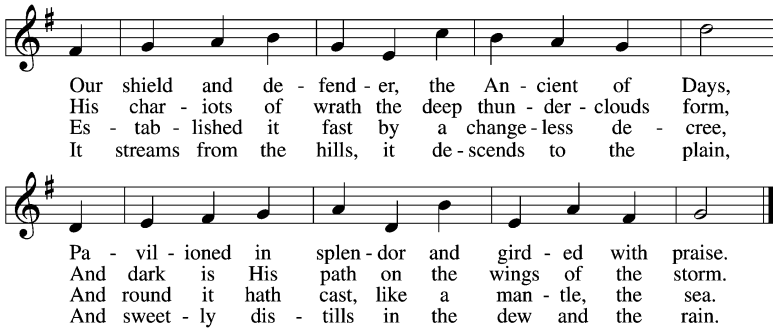
**The Sermon Hymn: LSB 804 "O Worship the King"**



1 O wor - ship the King, all - glo - rious a - bove.  
2 O tell of His might, O sing of His grace,  
3 This earth, with its store of won - ders un - told,  
4 Thy boun - ti - ful care what tongue can re - cite?

O grate - ful - ly sing His pow'r and His love;  
Whose robe is the light, whose can - o - py space;  
Al - might - y, Thy pow'r hath found - ed of old,  
It breathes in the air, it shines in the light,





Our shield and de - fend - er, the An - cient of Days,  
 His char - iots of wrath the deep thun - der - clouds form,  
 Es - tab - lished it fast by a change - less de - cree,  
 It streams from the hills, it de - scends to the plain,  
 Pa - vil - ioned in splen - dor and gird - ed with praise.  
 And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.  
 And round it hath cast, like a man - tle, the sea.  
 And sweet - ly dis - tills in the dew and the rain.

5 Frail children of dust  
 and feeble as frail,  
 In Thee do we trust,  
 nor find Thee to fail.  
 Thy mercies, how tender,  
 how firm to the end,  
 Our maker, defender,  
 redeemer, and friend!

6 O measureless Might,  
 ineffable Love,  
 While angels delight  
 to hymn Thee above,  
 Thy humbler creation,  
 though feeble their lays,  
 With true adoration  
 shall sing to Thy praise.

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**The Sermon** *(During the sermon, children who are ages 3 through grade 2 are invited to participate in KIDZ Time. Children can make their way to the back of the sanctuary where the KIDZ Time teacher is waiting. The children will return to the service following the sermon.)*

**The Offering/Bell Choir: “Let All Things Now Living”**  
*(Please sign the burgundy Friendship booklet and pass it to other people sitting in your pew. When completed, pass it back to the center aisle and*


be sure to greet the people next to you! Those sitting by the center aisle: please tear off the completed sheet and place it on the pew. Thank you!)

## The Prayer of the Church & The Lord's Prayer


**C** 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  
forever and ever. Amen.

## A Hymn: LSB 837 "Lift High the Cross"

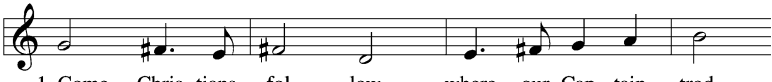
*Refrain*




Lift high the cross, the love of Christ pro-claim Till



all the world a - dore His sa - cred name.



1 Come, Chris - tians, fol - low where our Cap - tain trod,  
2 Led on their way by this tri - um - phant sign,  
3 All new - born sol - diers of the Cru - ci - fied tree,  
4 O Lord, once lift - ed on the glo - rious



*Refrain*  
Our king vic - to - rious, Christ, the Son of God.  
The hosts of God in con - qu'ring ranks com - bine.  
Bear on their brows the seal of Him who died.  
As Thou hast prom - ised, draw us all to Thee.

5 Let ev'ry race and ev'ry language tell  
Of Him who saves our lives from death and hell.  
Refrain

6 So shall our song of triumph ever be:  
Praise to the Crucified for victory! Refrain

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## The Announcements and Blessing

### +Service of the Sacrament+

#### Preface

*LSB 208*

**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 Him thanks and praise.**

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, ... Therefore with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your glorious name, evermore praising You and saying:

#### The Sanctus

*LSB 208*



**C** Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord God of Sab - a - oth a - dored;



Heav'n and earth with full ac-claim shout the glo-ry of Your name.

Sing ho - san - na in the high - est, sing ho - san - na to the Lord;  
 Tru - ly blest is He who comes in the name of the Lord!

Text: Stephen P. Starke

## The Words of Institution

### The Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

### The Agnus Dei

LSB 210

**C** 1 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 2 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;  
 You take the sin of the world a - way;  
 O Je - sus Christ, true Lamb of God,  
 Have mer - cy on us, Je - sus Christ,  
 Have mer - cy on us, Lord, we pray.  
 And grant us peace, O Lord, we pray.

Text: Stephen P. Starke

### The Distribution

# A Distribution Hymn: LSB 624 “The Infant Priest Was Holy Born”

1 The in - fant Priest was ho - ly born For us un -  
 2 This great High Priest in hu - man flesh Was i - con  
 3 The ho - ly Lamb un - daunt - ed came To God's own  
 4 But death would not the vic - tor be Of Him who

ho - ly and for - lorn; From flesh - ly tem - ple  
 of God's righ - teous - ness. His hal - lowed touch brought  
 al - tar lit with flame; While weep - ing an - gels  
 hung up - on the tree. He leads us to the

forth came He, A - noint - ed from e - ter - ni - ty.  
 sanc - ti - ty; His hand re - moved im - pu - ri - ty.  
 hid their eyes, This Priest be - came a sac - ri - fice.  
 Ho - ly Place With - in the veil, be - fore God's face.

- 5 The veil is torn, our Priest we see,  
 As at the rail on bended knee  
 Our hungry mouths from Him receive  
 The bread of immortality.
- 6 The body of God's Lamb we eat,  
 A priestly food and priestly meat;  
 On sin-parched lips the chalice pours  
 His quenching blood that life restores.
- 7 With cherubim and seraphim  
 Our voices join the endless hymn,  
 And “Holy, holy, holy” sing  
 To Christ, God's Lamb, our Priest and King.

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## A Distribution Hymn: LSB 829 “Christ the Eternal Lord”



1 Christ the e - ter - nal Lord, Whose prom - ise here we claim,  
 2 Christ the un - chang - ing Word To ev - 'ry pass - ing age,  
 3 Christ the re - deem - ing Son, Who shares our hu - man birth,  
 4 Christ the un - fad - ing Light Of ev - er - last - ing day,  
 5 Christ the as - cend - ed King Ex - alt - ed high a - bove,



Whose gifts of grace are free - ly poured On all who name Your name;  
 Whose time - less teach - ings still are heard Set forth on Scrip - ture's page;  
 And by His death sal - va - tion won For ev - 'ry child of earth;  
 Our Morn - ing Star in splen - dor bright, The Life, the Truth, the Way;  
 Whose praise un - end - ing a - ges sing, Whom yet un - seen we love;



With thank - ful - ness and praise We stand be - fore Your throne,  
 Trans - form our thought and mind, En - light - en all who read,  
 In - spire our hearts, we pray, To tell Your love a - broad,  
 That light of truth You give To ser - vants as to friends,  
 When mor - tal life is past Your voice from heav - en's throne



In - tent to serve You all our days And make Your glo - ry known.  
 With - in Your Word by faith to find The bread of life in - deed.  
 That all may hon - or Christ to - day And fol - low Him as Lord.  
 Your way to walk, Your life to live, Till earth's brief jour - ney ends.  
 Shall call Your chil - dren home at last To know as we are known.

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## The Nunc Dimittis

LSB 211



1 O Lord, now let Your ser - vant De -  
 2 All glo - ry to the Fa - ther, All



part in heav'n - ly peace, For I have seen the  
 glo - ry to the Son, All glo - ry to the



glo - ry Of Your re - deem - ing grace:  
 Spir - it, For - ev - er Three in One;



A light to lead the Gen - tiles Un -  
For as in lead the be - gin - ning, Is  
to Your ho - ly hill, The glo - ry of Your  
now, shall ev - er be, God's tri - une name re -  
peo - ple, Your cho - sen Is - ra - el.  
sound - ing Through all e - ter - ni - ty.

## The Post-Communion Collect

### The Benedicamus

LSB 212

**P** Let us bless the Lord.

**C** Thanks be to God.

### The Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.  
The Lord make His face shine on you and be  
gracious to you.  
The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give  
you peace.

**C** Amen.

## The Closing Hymn: LW 179, "Rejoice, the Lord is King"

Rejoice, the Lord is King!  
Your Lord and King adore;  
Rejoice, give thanks, and sing,  
And triumph evermore:

### Refrain:

*Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;  
Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!*

Our Savior Jesus reigns,  
The God of truth and love;  
When he had purged our stains,  
He took his seat above: **[Refrain]**

His kingdom cannot fail;  
He rules o'er earth and heav'n;  
The keys of death and hell  
Are to our Jesus giv'n: **[Refrain]**

He sits at God's right hand  
Till all his foes submit  
And bow to his command  
And fall beneath his feet: **[Refrain]**

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**Events of the Week: November 20 to November 27**

Today	11:00 a.m. Rwanda Mission Presentation
Monday	6:30 p.m. Communion service
Wednesday	10:00 a.m. Bible study (Darrell) 7:00 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service
Thursday	THANKSGIVING DAY
Friday	Pastor's Day off
Sunday	8:00 a.m. Gizmo Devotion on FB 9:30 a.m. Worship service 11:00 a.m. Bible study



## FINANCIAL DISCIPLESHIP: November 5/6, 2022

General Fund	3155.00
Rwanda Mission	100.00
Memorial (Walt B)	<u>150.00</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$3405.00</b>

### Announcements

**Rwanda Mission Trip Presentation:** Pastor and Sandra will show pictures and discuss their recent mission trip to Rwanda TODAY following the service. All are invited!

**Oh, give thanks to the Lord for He is good!** Join us on Thanksgiving Eve, Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup> at 7:00 p.m. for a special communion service of Thanksgiving.

**Would you like to make a Thanksgiving Day** display for the chancel? If interested, please speak with Pastor Schaeffer.

### **Young adults and youth – Are You called to Serve?**

Take a minute to look at [concordia.org/employment](http://concordia.org/employment) and then consider if God is calling you to serve directly with children or indirectly behind the scenes. Connect to others like you in a community with a mission at Camp Concordia in the summer of 2023.

### **FREE Christmas cards are available in the coatroom.**

Browse the cards and send someone a reminder of Jesus' birth!

### **Interested in reading the Proceedings from the Michigan District Convention?**

Among the Resolutions that were voted on, the Proceedings include President Maier's report and essays from the keynote speakers. A copy of the Proceedings is in the office.

**Would you like to receive a monthly subscription *The Lutheran Witness*?** It will be delivered to your home starting in March 2023. Yearly subscriptions are \$12.00/year. Please let Pastor Schaeffer know by December 11<sup>th</sup> and he will add your name to the subscription list.

**The Pregnancy Resource Center invites you to be a prayer partner in their ministry.** They will send an occasional text message to your phone asking you to pray for a ministry need, like a young woman who may be considering abortion. To participate, do the following steps:

1. Text: prayer4prc
2. To: 616-877-7729
3. 3. Click: send

**If you have an article or information to share** in the December issue of the St. James newsletter, please email it to the office ([office@stjamesgr.com](mailto:office@stjamesgr.com)) by Wednesday, November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Thank you!

### **Those who serve Today:**

**Officiant:** Pastor Glenn Schaeffer

**Lector:** Cindy McAuliffe

**Organist:** Beth McKay

**Deacons:** Craig Popma and Bryan Ensing

**Ushers:** Dale and Grace Rosema, Caleb Butler

**Video/Sound/Recording:** Nathan Urbanski, John, and Marjie Weiss

**November Altar Guild:** Sherry Schmidt

## A Statement on Holy Communion

**We rejoice in the celebration of the LORD'S Supper** as the Lord Jesus comes to us in a very personal manner, giving to us His true Body and Blood in, with, and under the bread and wine in this sacred meal. St. Paul writes, *"A man ought to examine himself before he eats of the bread and drinks of the cup. For anyone who eats and drinks without recognizing the body of the Lord eats and drinks judgment on himself."* (1 Corinthians 11:28-29) It is out of love and care for every individual that comes to the Lord's Supper that we ask those who are not instructed in the faith and/or doubt the presence of the Body and Blood of Jesus in this Sacrament to speak to the Pastor before attending the Lord's Supper. Members of Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod congregations, who:

- Repent of their sin;
- Believe in Jesus as their Savior;
- Trust that they are receiving, not only bread and wine, but also the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ in the Lord's Supper for the forgiveness of their sins; and
- Intend, with the help of the Holy Spirit, to live as forgiven sinners resisting the devil, saying no to sinful desires, and walking in the newness of life.

are invited to partake of this Holy Meal with us. We request that ALL guests who desire to commune, kindly speak to the Pastor before the service.

If you prefer to come forward for a blessing at the time of Holy Communion, please do so. We ask that you cross your arms over your chest so that Pastor knows you want to receive a blessing.