

EPIPHANY LUTHERAN CHURCH

We Love Jesus by Serving Others

Christ the King

November 20, 2022, 10:30 AM

Far Hills Campus Traditional Worship (Livestreamed)

gather

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

PRELUDE: *SONG OF THANKSGIVING* (Brian Childers)

Jubilate Bells, Jill Byers, director

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS

P: Blessed be the holy Trinity, † one God, who redeems us in Christ Jesus, whose steadfast love endures forever.

C: Amen.

P: Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and one another.

(silence for reflection and self-examination)

P: Most merciful God,

C: we confess that we have sinned against you and our neighbors.

We have ignored voices that call for your justice.

We have neglected actions that witness to your righteousness.

We have spoken and acted in ways that disrupt your beloved community.

We truly repent of things we have done and left undone.

For the sake of Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.

Restore our troubled spirits, so that we may live in newness,

follow the way of the Spirit, and build up the body of Christ. Amen.

P: Rejoice and be glad! God hears the prayers of all who cry out, and restores us to life through the death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. Therefore, I declare to you the forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the † Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

SHARING THE PEACE

P: We have been forgiven and reconciled to God through Christ our Savior. Therefore, let us be reconciled to each other and share the peace of the Lord. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

Please take this time to say hello and share the peace in the comment section of the YouTube channel livestream or in the Facebook feed comment section. Take a selfie and let us know you are worshipping with us!

OPENING HYMN: HAIL, REDEEMER, KING DIVINE

- 1 Hail, redeemer, king divine!
Priest and lamb, the throne is thine;
King whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

Refrain:

Angels, saints and nations sing:
"Praised be Jesus Christ, our king;
Lord of earth and sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary."

- 2 King of everlasting might!
Be to us eternal light,
Till in peace each nation rings
With thy praises, king of kings. (**Refrain**)

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APOSTOLIC GREETING

- P:** From the one who is and who was and who is to come, and from Jesus Christ, the first fruits of the resurrection, grace and peace be with you all.
- C:** **And also with you.**

CANTICLE OF PRAISE

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us



free to be peo - ple of God. Pow - er, rich - es, wis - dom, and



strength, and hon - or, bless - ing, and glo - ry are his.

Refrain



This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God. Al - le -



lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God, and join in the



hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless - ing, hon - or, glo - ry, and



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.

(continued)

Final refrain

This is the feast of vic - to - ry for our God,
 for the Lamb who was slain has be - gun his reign.
 Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

word

WELCOMING THE CHILDREN

FIRST READING: JEREMIAH 23:1-6

¹Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. ²Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. ³Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD.

⁵The days are surely coming, says the LORD, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The LORD is our righteousness."

A: The word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSIVE READING: PSALM 46

A: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

C: Therefore we will not fear.

A: There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

C: God is in the midst of the city;

A: it shall not be shaken;

C: God shall help it at the break of day.

A: The nations rage, and the kingdoms shake;

C: God speaks, and the earth melts away.

A: Come now, regard the works of the Lord;

C: what desolations God has brought upon the earth;

A: behold the one who makes war to cease in all the world;
C: he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, and burns the shields with fire.
A: “Be still, then, and know that I am God;
C: I will be exalted among the nations; I will be exalted in the earth.”
A: The Lord of hosts is with us;
C: the God of Jacob is our stronghold.

SECOND READING: COLOSSIANS 1:11-20

¹¹May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, and may you be prepared to endure everything with patience, while joyfully ¹²giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. ¹³He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation; ¹⁶for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

A: The word of the Lord.
C: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,
al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.
Repeat alleluia

Cantor: Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord.
Blessed is the coming kingdom of our ancestor David.

P: The holy gospel according to St. Luke.

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

GOSPEL READING: LUKE 23:33-43

³³When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them; for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by, watching; but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine, ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in Paradise."

P: The gospel of the Lord.

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

SERMON

HYMN OF THE DAY: BEFORE YOU, LORD, WE BOW

#893



1 Be - fore you, Lord, we bow, our God who reigns a - bove and
2 May ev - 'ry moun - tain height, each vale and for - est green, shine
3 Earth, hear your mak - er's voice; your great re - deem - er own; be -
4 And when in pow'r he comes, oh, may then ev - 'ry land from



rules the world be - low with bound - less pow'r and love. Our thanks we
forth in wis - dom's light, and its rich fruits be seen! May ev - 'ry
lieve, o - bey, re - joice, and wor - ship God a - lone. Cast down your
all its rend - ing tombs send forth a glo - rious band, a count - less



bring in joy and praise, our hearts we raise, to you we sing!
tongue be tuned to praise and join to raise a grate - ful song.
pride, your sin de - plore, and bow be - fore the Cru - ci - fied.
throng, with joy to sing to heav'n's high king sal - va - tion's song!

Text: Francis Scott Key, 1779–1843, alt.

Music: DARWALL'S 148TH, John Darwall, 1731–1789

NICENE CREED

A: Together with the whole church, let us confess our faith.

**C: 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 *(after each petition...)*

A: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

OFFERING: SAY IT LOUD

Epiphany Chorale

*Far and near, hear the call, worship him, Lord of all.
Families of nations come, celebrate what God has done.
Say it loud, say it strong, tell the world what God has done.
Say it loud, praise his name; let the earth rejoice! The Lord reigns.*

*Deep and wide is the love heaven sent from above;
God's own Son, for sinners died, calls again, he is alive.*

*At his name let praise begin, oceans roar, nature sings;
For he comes to judge the earth in righteousness and in his truth.*

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OFFERTORY: FOR THE BEAUTY OF THE EARTH

#879



1 For the beau - ty of the earth, for the beau - ty of the skies,



for the love which from our birth o - ver and a - round us lies:

Refrain

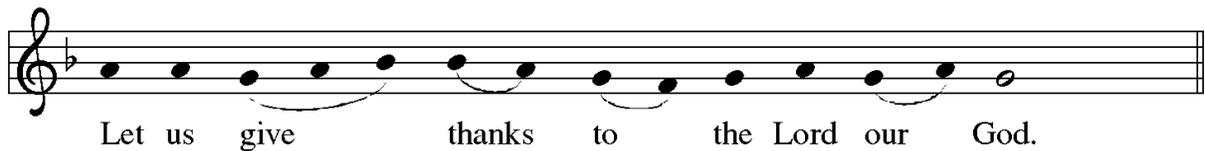
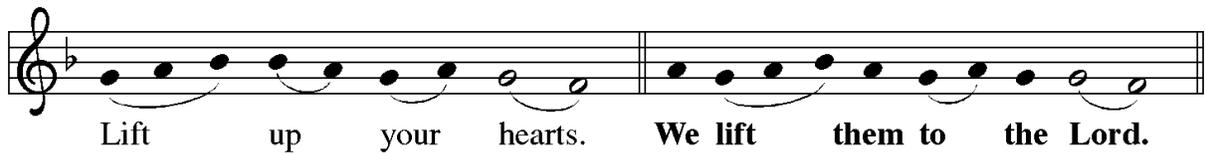
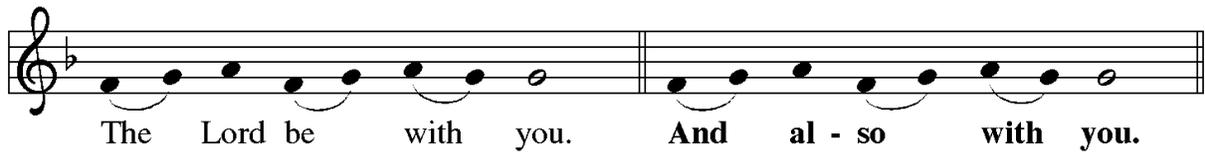


Christ, our God, to thee we raise this our sac - ri - fice of praise.

Text: Folliot S. Pierpoint, 1835–1917, alt.
Music: DIX, Conrad Kocher, 1786–1872

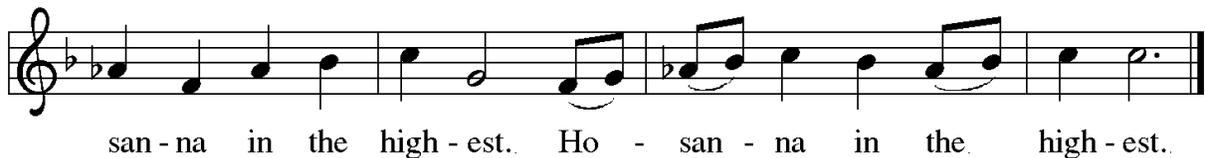
OFFERING PRAYER

THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



P: It is indeed right, our duty and our joy...join their unending hymn:

SANCTUS



THANKSGIVING AT THE TABLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER

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.

DISTRIBUTION OF COMMUNION

If you are unable to attend worship due to health concerns, please contact the church office to be included on the homebound list.

COMMUNION HYMN: THE HEAD THAT ONCE WAS CROWNED

#432



- 1 The head that once was crowned with thorns is crowned with glo - ry now;
- 2 The high - est place that heav'n af - fords is his by sov-'reign right,
- 3 The joy of all who dwell a - bove, the joy of all be - low
- 4 To them the cross, with all its shame, with all its grace, is giv'n;



a roy - al di - a - dem a - dorns the might - y vic - tor's brow.
the King of kings, and Lord of lords, and heav'n's e - ter - nal light.
to whom he man - i - fests his love, and grants his name to know;
their name, an ev - er - last - ing name, their joy, the joy of heav'n.

Text: Thomas Kelly, 1769–1855

Music: ST. MAGNUS, Jeremiah Clarke, 1669–1707

POST-COMMUNION BLESSING

POST-COMMUNION PRAYER

send

BENEDICTION



1 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal! The day of march has come;
 2 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
 3 Lead on, O King e - ter - nal: we fol - low, not with fears,



hence-forth in fields of con - quest your tents will be our home.
 and ho - li - ness shall whis - per the sweet a - men of peace;
 for glad-ness breaks like morn - ing wher - e'er your face ap - pears.



Through days of prep - a - ra - tion your grace has made us strong;
 for not with swords loud clash - ing, nor roll of stir-ring drums,
 Your cross is lift - ed o'er us; we jour - ney in its light;



and now, O King e - ter - nal, we lift our bat - tle song.
 but deeds of love and mer - cy the heav'n - ly king - dom comes.
 the crown a - waits the con - quest; lead on, O God of might!

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862–1917
 Music: LANCASHIRE, Henry T. Smart, 1813–1879

DISMISSAL

P: Go in peace. Be a blessing in the world.

C: **Thanks be to God.**

POSTLUDE

Brass Ensemble

*Please take a moment to share comments and fellowship with each other after the service is completed.
 The livestream will continue for a few minutes to allow for your interaction.*

Scripture readings for the 1st Sunday of Advent, November 27, 2022:
 Isaiah 2:1-5, Psalm 122, Romans 13:11-14, Matthew 24:36-44

Serving in Worship

Presiding Minister:	Pastor Julie Reuning-Scherer
Assisting Minister:	Judith Clark
Organist:	John Benjamin
Cantor:	Bob Ellefson
Brass:	Mike Richter, Aaron Moen, trumpet Connor Fuhrmann, Don Greiman, trombone
Sound:	Ted Meyer
Livestream:	Anthony Brown, Landon Henderson
Ushers:	Bob Sulgrove, John Venis
Communion Servers:	Martha Armstrong-Benjamin, Jennifer Henderson, Sandy Houpt, Mary Moenter, Dorothy Sisken, Rose Wasky

Parish Notes

Recently hospitalized: Phil Nielsen, Warner Simpson

The flowers in the Far Hills Sanctuary are placed by Diane Chance in memory of Dave Chance's birthday.

We Belong Stewardship Commitment Update

Thank you so much to all who have submitted your statements of intent for the 2023 stewardship campaign. So far, 110 households have made commitments, totaling \$565,990. It's not too late to respond with your own commitment for 2023! Cards can be placed in the offering, mailed to Epiphany, or you can complete an online.

Children's Education

TODAY Sunday School | Far Hills Campus | 9:45 a.m.

Sunday School ages three years to fifth grade

Check-in > Gathering Space (upstairs)

Check-out > Paradise Park (downstairs)

Today is the final week for Fall Sunday School

Next Play & Learn | Austin Campus | December 4 | 11:30 AM-12:15 PM

After 10:30 a.m. worship gather for a light lunch, playground time, and Bible stories and discussion with Ms. Sarah.

Thanksgiving Service and Pie Fest

November 22 | 7 PM | Far Hills Sanctuary

Join us for worship and fellowship! Invite friends and family and bring a pre-cut pie to share. Drop off pre-cut desserts in the Celebration Center. Offering will benefit ELCA World Hunger.

Adopt-A-Family Online and In-person adoptions now open!

Our annual Adopt-a-Family Christmas gift program offers both online and in-person adoptions. Please fill out the adoption request form, and we will identify a family who can benefit from your generous support. In-person adoptions will take place at both campuses before and after services beginning today. Drop-off will take place December 12-14. Questions about this year's program can be sent to adoptafamily@epiphanydayton.org.

Advent Devotion & Discussion:

The Uncluttered Heart: Making Room for God During Advent and Christmas

Wednesdays November 30, December 7 & 14 | 7 PM | Far Hills Conference Room

Join a daily devotion with an offered weekly discussion group for the Advent Season. Books are available through the church office for \$11. Questions? Contact Pastor Julie.

Winter Accessories Drive

In collaboration with the Pantry, we are collecting winter clothing items such as gloves, mittens, hats, and scarves to be given to local children and youth through case managers. Donation bins will be available at both campuses for new or gently used items. All sizes welcome, but the greatest need is for ages 14-18. Contact Sarah Richter for more information.

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Far Hills Campus

6430 Far Hills Ave.
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9:00 AM Praise Worship
(Sanctuary)
10:30 AM Traditional Worship
(Sanctuary)

Austin Campus

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9:00 AM Traditional Worship
10:30 AM Praise Worship

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10:30 AM Livestream

(Broadcast alternates weekly between Far Hills and Austin)

Let Us Pray for You

We want to know when you're hospitalized and when you have a major life event, such as a birth, marriage, death in the family, etc. If you have a prayer request, please contact Pastor Julie (860-371-4030, jreuning-scherer@epiphanydayton.org).

Welcome Guests!

We want to get to know you! If you are a first-time or returning guest, please fill out a Connection Card located at the usher table as you enter the Sanctuary. Please either return it to an usher or place it in the offering plate. There is also space for prayer requests.

Next steps: Become a part of the Epiphany family by attending regularly, and get involved by coming to one of our events or by helping one of our many ministries. We invite you to see where *loving Jesus by serving others* might lead you. Our pastors and staff are always available to help you find ways to get connected in service and fellowship.

For more info or questions, please ask our campus coordinators, Jennifer Henderson (Far Hills) or Brittany Albert (Austin), or contact Natalie Heimann, director of member engagement (nheimann@epiphanydayton.org or ext. 100). Thanks again for joining us today!

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