



FIRST SUNDAY IN THE CHURCH YEAR

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“LORD AND KING”

(SOLO)

You are Lord and King And God of this universe.

You are Lord and King And God of this universe.

(ALL)

You are Lord and King And God of this universe.

You are Lord and King And God of this universe.

I WILL WORSHIP YOU FOREVER I WILL WORSHIP YOU FOREVER!

Made for one purpose, To serve my Lord Jesus.

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I WILL WORSHIP YOU FOREVER I WILL WORSHIP YOU FOREVER!

On the cross He died, Third day rose to life.

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Words and music by John Williams. Permission granted

“THIS IS AMAZING GRACE”

Who breaks the power Of sin and darkness?

Whose love is mighty And so much stronger?

The King of Glory, The King above all kings.

Who shakes the whole earth With holy thunder?

Who leaves us breathless In awe and wonder?

The King of Glory, The King above all kings.

**THIS IS AMAZING GRACE, THIS IS UNFAILING LOVE,
THAT YOU WOULD TAKE MY PLACE, THAT YOU WOULD BEAR MY CROSS.**

YOU LAID DOWN YOUR LIFE THAT I WOULD BE SET FREE.

OH, JESUS, I SING FOR ALL THAT YOU’VE DONE FOR ME.

Who brings our chaos Back into order?

Who makes the orphan A son and daughter?

The King of Glory, The King of Glory.

Who rules the nations With truth and justice?

Shines like the sun in All of its brilliance?

The King of Glory, The King above all kings.

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THAT YOU WOULD TAKE MY PLACE, THAT YOU WOULD BEAR MY CROSS.**

YOU LAID DOWN YOUR LIFE THAT I WOULD BE SET FREE.

OH, JESUS, I SING FOR ALL THAT YOU’VE DONE FOR ME.

*Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King
who conquered the grave Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
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Worthy is the Lamb who was slain Worthy is the King
who conquered the grave Worthy is the Lamb who was slain
Worthy, worthy, worthy.*

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THAT YOU WOULD TAKE MY PLACE, THAT YOU WOULD BEAR MY CROSS.
YOU LAID DOWN YOUR LIFE THAT I WOULD BE SET FREE.
OH, JESUS, I SING FOR ALL THAT YOU'VE DONE FOR ME.**

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WELCOME, INVOCATION

OPENING PRAYER

CONFESSION

A time for reflection on our sin and on God's mercy

ALL: Lord, we come together today at the beginning of the season of Advent, a season to remember the coming of our Savior who brought peace and joy to the world. Yet because of our brokenness, we don't always practice that peace and joy with others. Because of our brokenness, we carry with us the weight of our frustrations, our insecurities, and our fears. In your mercy, Lord, forgive us. And as we prepare to celebrate the gift of the Baby in the manger, forgive us for anything we have allowed into our hearts that might steal our joy and darken our hearts. In Jesus' holy name, amen.

ABSOLUTION

LUTHER'S EXPLANATION OF THE THIRD ARTICLE

Pastor: What does it mean that you believe in the Holy Spirit?

ALL: I believe that I cannot by my own reason or strength believe in Jesus Christ, My Lord, or come to Him; But the Holy Spirit has called me By the Gospel, enlightened me With His gifts, sanctified and Kept me in the true faith. In the same way He calls, Gathers, enlightens, and sanctifies The whole Christian Church on earth, And keeps it with Jesus Christ In the one true faith. In this Christian Church He Daily and richly forgives All my sins and the sins of all believers. On the last day He will raise up Me and all the dead, And give eternal life to me And all believers in Christ. This is most certainly true.

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Isaiah 64:1-9

Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down, that the mountains might quake at your presence—² as when fire kindles brushwood and the fire causes water to boil—to make your name known to your adversaries, and that the nations might tremble at your presence! ³When you did awesome things that we did not look for, you came down, the mountains quaked at your presence. ⁴From of old no one has heard or perceived by the ear, no eye has seen a God besides you, who acts for those who wait for him. ⁵You meet him who joyfully works righteousness, those who remember you in your ways. Behold, you were angry, and we sinned; in our sins we have been a long time, and shall we be saved? ⁶We have all become like one who is unclean, and all our righteous deeds are like a polluted garment. We all fade like a leaf, and our iniquities, like the wind, take us away. ⁷There is no one who calls upon your name, who rouses himself to take hold of you; for you have hidden your face from us, and have made us melt in^[u] the hand of our iniquities. ⁸But now, O Lord, you are our Father; we are the clay, and you are our potter; we are all the work of your hand. ⁹Be not so terribly angry, O Lord, and remember not iniquity forever. Behold, please look, we are all your people.

EPISTLE LESSON I Corinthians 1:3-9

³Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ. ⁴I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus, ⁵that in every way you were enriched in him in all speech and all knowledge—⁶even as the testimony about Christ was confirmed among you—⁷so that you are not lacking in any gift, as you wait for the revealing of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸who will sustain you to the end, guiltless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹God is faithful, by whom you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

HOLY GOSPEL Mark 11:1-10 The Triumphal Entry

¹¹Now when they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples ²and said to them, “Go into the village in front of you, and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat. Untie it and bring it. ³If anyone says to you, ‘Why are you doing this?’ say, ‘The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately.’” ⁴And they went away and found a colt tied at a door outside in the street, and they untied it. ⁵And some of those standing there said to them, “What are you doing, untying the colt?” ⁶And they told them what Jesus had said, and they let them go. ⁷And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it, and he sat on it. ⁸And many spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. ⁹And those who went before and those who followed were shouting, “Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! ¹⁰Blessed is the coming kingdom of our father David! Hosanna in the highest!”

SERMON “Rending the Heavens” Chaplain Mike Sneath

OFFERING

“HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD”

**The splendor of the King, Clothed in majesty
Let all the earth rejoice, All the earth rejoice.**

**He wraps Himself in light, And darkness tries to hide
And trembles at His voice, And trembles at His voice.**

**HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD, SING WITH ME
HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD. AND ALL WILL
SEE HOW GREAT, HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD!**

**And age to age He stands, And time is in His hands.
Beginning and the End, Beginning and the End.**

**The Godhead Three in one Father, Spirit, Son,
The Lion and the Lamb, The Lion and the Lamb.**

**HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD, SING WITH ME
HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD. AND ALL WILL
SEE HOW GREAT, HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD!**

***NAME ABOVE ALL NAMES WORTHY OF ALL PRAISE
MY HEART WILL SING HOW GREAT IS OUR GOD!***

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THE PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH,

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.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

BLESSING

“BUILD YOUR KINGDOM HERE”

**Come set Your rule and reign In our hearts again
Increase in us we pray Unveil why we're made**

**Come set our hearts ablaze with hope Like wildfire in our very souls
Holy Spirit, come invade us now We are Your church
We need Your pow'r in us**

**We seek Your kingdom first We hunger and we thirst
Refuse to waste our lives For You're our joy and prize
To see the captives' hearts released The hurt, the sick, the poor, at peace
We lay down our lives for heaven's cause We are Your church
We pray revive this earth**

**BUILD YOUR KINGDOM HERE LET THE DARKNESS FEAR
SHOW YOUR MIGHTY HAND HEAL OUR STREETS AND LAND
SET YOUR CHURCH ON FIRE WIN THIS NATION BACK
CHANGE THE ATMOSPHERE BUILD YOUR KINGDOM HERE WE PRAY**

**Unleash Your kingdom's pow'r Reaching the near and far
No force of hell can stop Your beauty changing hearts
You made us for much more than this Awake the kingdom seed in us
Fill us with the strength and love of Christ We are Your church
We are the hope on earth**

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Flowers given today, in honor of Johnalee Gray. Happy Birthday, Johnalee!