St. Mark's Anglican Church

The Reign of Christ

November 22 2026

Sung Eucharist at 10:30 am

Welcome to St. Mark's.

The order of service is set forth in this service sheet.
Please stand and kneel as you are able—and as is your custom.
Please join in singing the hymns and saying the parts printed in **bold**

PRELUDE *Allegro* from *Sonata Solemnis* František Musil (1858-1908)

THE GATHERING OF THE COMMUNITY

HYMN 379 ***Rejoice the Lord is King***

Celebrant The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit,
be with you all.

People **And also with you.**

Celebrant Almighty God,

All **to you all hearts are open,**
all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hidden.
Cleanse the thoughts of our hearts
by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit,
that we may perfectly love you,
and worthily magnify your holy name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

GLORY TO GOD *Common Praise*, no. 686

COLLECT OF THE DAY

Celebrant Let us pray.

Almighty and everlasting God,
whose will it is to restore all things
in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King,
grant that the peoples of the earth,
now divided and enslaved by sin,
may be freed and brought together
under his gentle and loving rule;
who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, now and for ever.

People **Amen.**

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

Reader: Wendy Steel

For 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 Thanks be to God.

PSALM—*sung by the Choir* 100

Tone VIII.1

O be Joyful in the LORD, all ye lands:*
serve the LORD with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
Be ye sure that the LORD he is God;
it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
O go your way into his gates with thanks- giving, and into his courts with praise;*
be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
For the LORD is gracious, his mercy is ever- lasting;*
and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

SECOND READING Ephesians 1:15-23

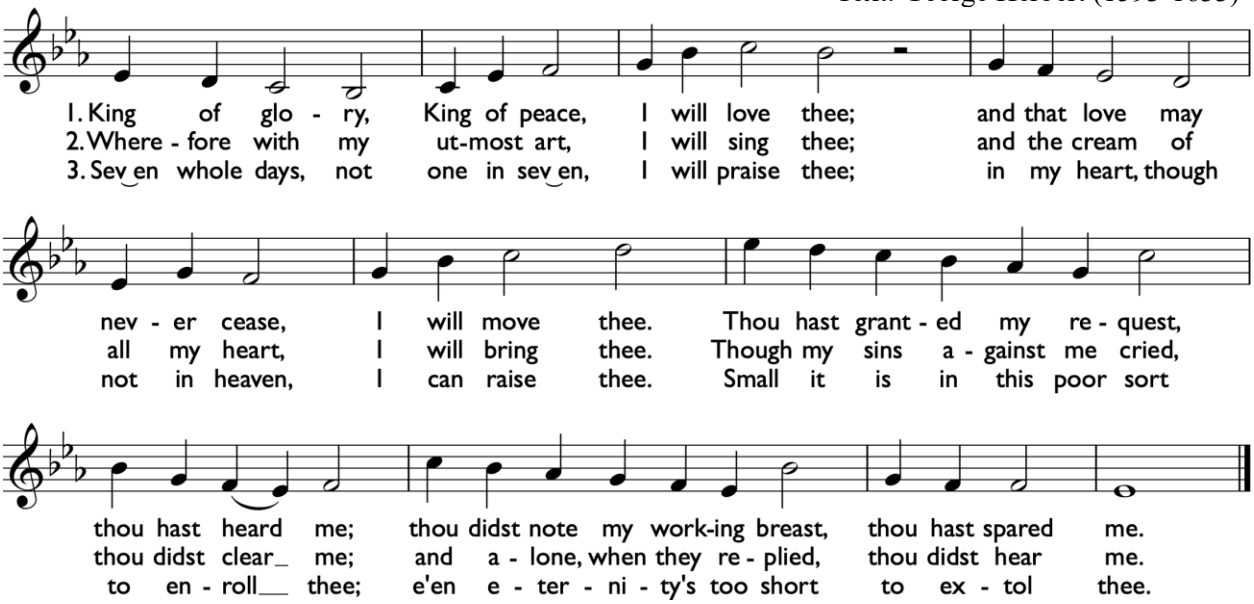
Reader: Wendy Steel

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 Thanks be to God.

All stand

HYMN Music: *General Seminary* David Charles Walker (1938-2018)
Text: George Herbert (1593-1633)



GOSPEL Matthew 25:14-30

Gospeller The Lord be with you.
People **And also with you.**

Gospeller The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.
People **Glory to you, Lord Jesus 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."

Gospeller The Gospel of Christ.
People **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

THE SERMON The Rector

THE NICENE CREED

Celebrant Let us confess our faith, as we say,
All **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:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.
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.
With the Father and the Son
he is worshipped and glorified.

He 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.

THE PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Leader*: Wendy Steel

Leader Let us with confidence present our prayers and supplications
to the throne of grace.

We pray for all those in positions of power, that they may govern with wisdom
and integrity, serving the needs of their people. May your kingdom come;
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for the Church, the sign of your reign, that it may extend your welcome
to people of every race and background. May your kingdom come;
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for Christians of every denomination, that together we may come to
understand the royal priesthood you bestowed on us in baptism.
May your kingdom come;
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for those whose commitment to truth brings them into conflict with
earthly powers, that they may have the courage to endure
May your kingdom come;
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Leader We pray for this community of faith, that attentive to your word we may always
worship in spirit and in truth. May your kingdom come;
People **Lord, hear our prayer.**

Celebrant Loving God, you have taught us that the power of the heart
is greater than the power of wealth and might.
Hear us as we pray for the fulfilment of your reign.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our King; to him be glory and power for ever.
People **Amen.**

*CONFESSION AND ABSOLUTION

Celebrant Dear friends in Christ,
God is steadfast in love and infinite in mercy;
he welcomes sinners and invites them to his table.
Let us confess our sins, confident in God's forgiveness.

Most merciful God,
All **we confess that we have sinned against you**
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbours as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us,
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of your name. Amen.

Celebrant Almighty God have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all goodness,
and keep you in eternal life; through Jesus Christ our Lord.
People **Amen.**

THE PEACE

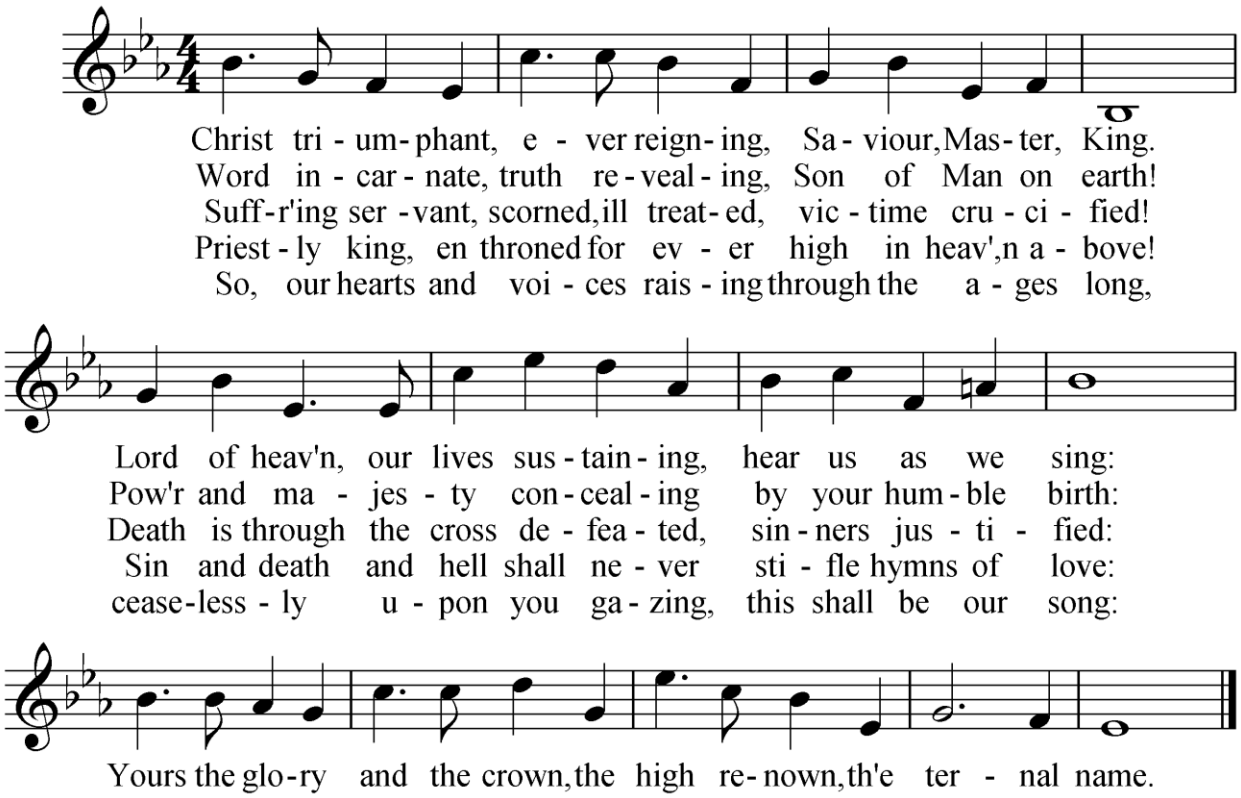
Celebrant The peace of the Lord be always with you.
People **And also with you.**

WORDS OF WELCOME

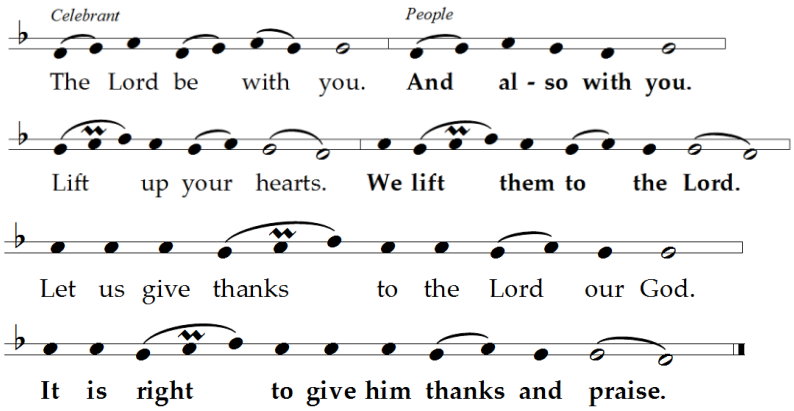
THE CELEBRATION OF THE EUCHARIST

HYMN

Music: *Guiting Power* John Barnard (b. 1948)
Text: Michael Saward (1932-2015)



THE GREAT THANKSGIVING



Celebrant Blessed are you, gracious God, creator of heaven and earth;
we give you thanks and praise through Jesus Christ our Lord.
You exalted him as Lord of all creation that he might present to you
an eternal and universal kingdom: a kingdom of truth and life,
a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love, and peace.
Therefore at the name of Jesus every knee shall bow
as heaven and earth proclaim the glory of your name.

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY LORD *Common Praise*, no. 689

All remain standing or kneel

Celebrant We give thanks to you, Lord our God, for the goodness and love
you have made known to us in creation;
in calling Israel to be your people;
in your Word spoken through the prophets;
and above all in the Word made flesh, Jesus your Son.
For in these last days you sent him to be incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
to be the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.
In him, you have delivered us from evil, and made us worthy to stand before you.
In him, you have brought us out of error into truth, out of sin into righteousness,
out of death into life.

On the night he was handed over to suffering and death,
a death he freely accepted, our Lord Jesus Christ took bread;
and when he had given thanks to you,
he broke it, and gave it to his disciples and said,
"Take, eat: this is my body which is given for you.
Do this for the remembrance of me."

After supper he took the cup of wine;
and when he had given thanks, he gave it to them, and said,
"Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Whenever you drink it, do this for the remembrance of me.

Therefore, Father, according to his command,

All **we remember his death,**
we proclaim his resurrection,
we await his coming in glory;

Celebrant and we offer our sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to you, Lord of all;
presenting to you, from your creation, this bread and this wine.

We pray you, gracious God, to send your Holy Spirit upon these gifts,
that they may be the sacrament of the body of Christ
and his blood of the new covenant.
Unite us to your Son in his sacrifice, that we, made acceptable in him,
may be sanctified by the Holy Spirit.

In the fullness of time, reconcile all things in Christ
and make them new, and bring us to that city of light
where you dwell with all your sons and daughters;

through Jesus Christ our Lord, the firstborn of all creation,
the head of the Church, and the author of our salvation;
by whom, and with whom, and in whom, in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
all honour and glory are yours, almighty Father,
now and forever.

People **Amen.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Celebrant And now, as our Saviour Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

All **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,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.

*THE BREAKING OF THE BREAD

Celebrant We break this bread to share in the body of Christ.

People **We, being many, are one body, for we all share in the one bread.**

Celebrant The gifts of God for the people of God,

People **Thanks be to God.**

LAMB OF GOD *Common Praise*, no. 690

THE COMMUNION

Please follow the directions of the greeters as you make your way to the altar
Kneeling and standing are both appropriate postures to receive the Eucharist

Gluten free wafers are available. Please make your need known

MUSIC DURING COMMUNION William Byrd (1540-1623)

Haec dies quam fecit Dominus: exultemus et laetemur in ea, alleluia.

This is the day which the Lord hath made: let us be glad and rejoice therein. Alleluia

-Psalm 118:24

After communion, all stand for

THE PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Celebrant All your works praise you, O Lord.
All **And your faithful servants bless you.**

Gracious God we thank you for feeding us
with the body and blood of your Son Jesus Christ.
May we, who share his body,
live his risen life;
we, who drink his cup,
bring life to others;
we, whom the Spirit lights,
give light to the world.
Keep us firm in the hope you have set before us,
So that we and all your children shall be free,
and the whole earth live to praise your name;
through Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE BLESSING

Celebrant Christ our King make you faithful and strong to do his will, that you may reign with him in glory; and the blessing of God Almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, be amongst you, and remain with you always.
People **Amen.**

THE DISMISSAL

Gospeller Go in peace to love and serve the Lord.
People **Thanks be to God.**

HYMN 378 ***Crown Him With Many Crowns***

VOLUNTARY *Sinfonia* from *Cantata 29*, BWV 29 J. S. Bach (1685-1750)
arr. Marcel Dupré (1886-1971)

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