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Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
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MESSAGE OF THE DAY

“KING OF THE JEWS vs. CHRIST THE KING”
The Rev. Peter Gueldner

(Please stand)

PRAYERS OF THE CHURCH

THE LORD'S PRAYER

P. Together let us pray as our Lord Jesus taught us...
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

BENEDICTION

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ ✠ and the love of God and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
C. Amen.

(Please sit)

CLOSING SONG

“Abide with Us, Our Savior” (sts. 1-5)

1. Abide with us, our Savior,
Nor let Your mercy cease;
From Satan's might defend us,
And give our hearts Your peace.
2. Abide with us, our Helper,
Sustain us by Your Word;
Let us and all Your people
To living faith be stirred.
3. Abide with us, Redeemer,
O Light, eternal Light;
Your truth direct and guide us
To flee from error's night.
4. Abide as our protector
Among us, Lord, our strength;
Let world and wily Satan
Be overcome at length.
5. Abide among us always,
O Lord, our faithful Friend,
And take us to Your mansions
When time and world shall end.

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P. Go in peace and serve the Lord!
C. Thanks be to God!

* * * **TO GOD BE THE GLORY** * * *

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THE CONNECTION

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PRELUDE / WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS *(please fill out Friendship Pads)*

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHILDREN SING

“To You, O Lord” & “The Gifts He Offers You”

WORSHIP SONG

“Oh, He's King of Kings” (sts. 1-2)

Refrain:

Oh, He's King of kings,
Oh, He's Lord of lords!
Jesus Christ, the First and Last,
No man works like Him.

1. I know that my Redeemer lives,
No man works like Him,
And by His love sweet blessings gives.
No man works like Him. [Refrain]
2. Victorious at God's right hand,
No man works like Him,
He calls His saints from ev'ry land,
No many works like Him. [Refrain]

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(Please stand)

INVOCATION

P. In the name of the Father, and of the ✠ Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
C. Amen

CONFESSION OF SINS AND FORGIVENESS

P. Almighty God, have mercy on us for Christ's sake.

C. Almighty God, I am unworthy of You and Your grace and mercy. I have sinned against You in thought, word and deed. And I cannot free myself from this condition. Therefore, I take refuge in Your loving-kindness; and I ask for Your forgiveness. We ask for Your forgiveness.

P. Almighty God, in His mercy, has given His Son to die for you and for His sake He forgives you. As a called and ordained servant of the Lord, and on His behalf, I say to you, "You are forgiven." In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

C. Amen.

(Please sit)

FIRST READING *Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14*

⁹As I looked, thrones were placed, and the Ancient of days took his seat; his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames; its wheels were burning fire. ¹⁰A stream of fire issued and came out from before him; a thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood before him; the court sat in judgment, and the books were opened. . . .

¹³I saw in the night visions, and behold, with the clouds of heaven there came one like a son of man, and he came to the Ancient of Days and was presented before him. ¹⁴And to him was given dominion and glory and a kingdom, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him; his dominion is an everlasting dominion, which shall not pass away, and his kingdom one that shall not be destroyed.

L. Here ends the first reading.

SECOND READING *Revelation 1:4b-8*

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of kings on earth.

To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood ⁶and made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Behold, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him, and all tribes of the earth will wail on account of him. Even so. Amen.

⁸"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, "who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

L. Here ends the second reading.

(Please stand)

GOSPEL READING *John 18:33-37*

³³Pilate entered his headquarters again and called Jesus and said to him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you say this of your own accord, or did others say it to you about me?" ³⁵Pilate answered, "Am I a Jew? Your own nation and the chief priests have delivered you over to me. What have you done?"

³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not of this world. If my kingdom were of this world, my servants would have been fighting, that I might not be delivered over to the Jews. But my kingdom is not from the world." ³⁷Then Pilate said to him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this purpose I was born and for this purpose I have come into the world—to bear witness to the truth. Everyone who is of the truth listens to my voice."

P. Here ends the reading of the Gospel.

STATEMENT OF FAITH *Apostles' Creed*

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

(Please sit)

TITHES & OFFERING "My Faith Looks Up to Thee"
Emma Olson

(While the music is playing, please bring your offerings forward and place them in the plate.)

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

MESSAGE SONG "Soon and Very Soon" sts. 1-3

1. Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King!
Soon and very soon
We are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King!

2. No more crying there,
We are going to see the King!
No more crying there,
We are going to see the King!
No more crying there,
We are going to see the King!
Hallelujah! Hallelujah!
We're going to see the King!