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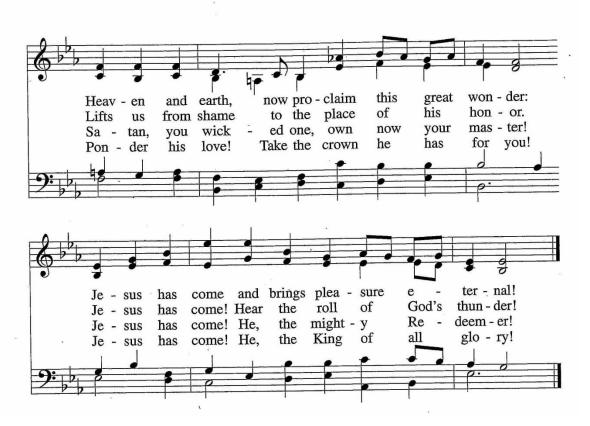


Sunday, November 20, 2016 Christ the King Sunday

THE COMMON SERVICE (Page 15)

Opening Hymn – The choir will sing verses 1 and 3.





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STAND

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.



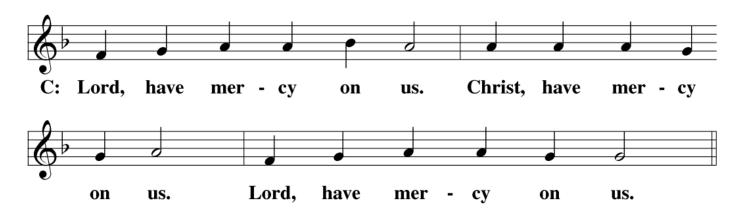
CONFESSION OF SINS

M: Beloved in the Lord: let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins to God our Father, asking him in

the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness.

C: Holy and merciful Father, I confess that I am by nature sinful and that I have disobeyed you in my thoughts, words, and actions. I have done what is evil and failed to do what is good. For this I deserve your punishment both now and in eternity. But I am truly sorry for my sins, and trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ, I pray: Lord, have mercy on me, a sinner.

LORD, HAVE MERCY (Kyrie)



M: God, our heavenly Father, has been merciful to us and has given his only Son to be the atoning sacrifice for our sins. Therefore, as a called servant of Christ and by his authority, I forgive you all your sins in the

name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.



HOLY BAPTISM

Baptism of Stevie Grace Pitt, daughter of William and Casey Pitt

REMAIN SEATED

The baptismal party gathers at the font.

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: Amen.

M: Our Lord Jesus Christ gave his Church the command to baptize when he said: "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you."

Scripture makes plain the universal need for Baptism. As children of Adam, we belong to a fallen race. From our parents we inherit a sinful nature and would be lost forever unless delivered by our Lord Jesus

Christ. He willingly took on himself the curse of sin and by his death on the cross redeemed us and all people.

Christ's almighty Word gives Baptism its power to save. The Apostle Peter declares, "Baptism now saves you." Scripture also clearly teaches that the power and promise of Baptism is intended for young and old alike. On the day of Pentecost the apostle testified, "The promise is for you and your children and for all who are far off—for all whom the Lord our God will call." By water and the Spirit, we are born again and united with Christ and his people as members of the Church.

M: In bringing this child to Baptism, you are doing what is God-pleasing. Jesus himself invited little children to become a part of his kingdom when he said: "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these. I tell you the truth, anyone who will not receive the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it." And he took the children in his arms, put his hands on them and blessed them.

The minister marks the sign of the cross on each of those present for Baptism, saying:

M: Receive the sign of the cross on the head and heart (+) to mark you as a redeemed child of Christ.

PRAYER

M: Let us pray.

Holy God, mighty Lord, gracious Father, through your stern judgment the unbelieving world was destroyed by the flood, but according to your great mercy, you saved Noah and his family. You engulfed stubborn Pharaoh and his army in the waters of the Red Sea but led your people through those same waters to safety on dry land. In the waters of the Jordan your own Son was baptized and anointed with the Spirit. By these signs you foreshadowed the precious, cleansing bath which you give us in Holy Baptism.

Clinging to your command and promise, we ask that you would look with favor on *Stevie* through this water of Baptism, drown in *her* all sin inherited from Adam and any other evil *she* may do. Set *her* apart from the unbelieving world and hold *her* safe and secure in the holy ark of the Church. Keep *her* always fervent in spirit and joyful in hope so that *she* may honor your holy name and at last receive, together with all your people, the promised inheritance of eternal life, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

M: Let us confess the faith of the Church, the faith into which *this child* will be baptized, the Apostles' Creed.

APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty.

From there 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 minister says to the parents or guardians of each infant or young child presented for baptism:

M: Do you desire to have your child baptized into this Christian faith?

R: Yes.

The minister applies water to the one being baptized as he says:

M: Stevie Grace Pitt, I baptize you in the name of the Father and of the (+) Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The minister, laying his hand on the one baptized, says:

M: The Almighty God—Father, Son, and Holy Spirit—has forgiven all your sins. By your baptism, you are born again and made a dear child of your Father in heaven.

May God strengthen you to live in your baptismal grace all the days of your life. Peace (+) be with you.

EXHORTATION TO PARENTS

If the parents are present for the baptism of a child, the minister may say:

M: Dear parents, our Lord Jesus Christ, in instituting Baptism, not only commanded that children should be baptized, but that they should be taught to obey everything he has commanded us. I therefore ask you:

Do you sincerely intend to bring up *Stevie* in the way of the Lord and to instruct *her* in the truths of God's saving Word so that *she* may grow in faith, serve God with a Christian life, and remain in *her* baptismal

grace unto the end? If so, answer: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

R: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

EXHORTATION TO THE CONGREGATION

M: Brothers and sisters in Christ, our Lord commands that we teach his precious truths to all who are baptized. Christian love, therefore, urges all of us to assist in whatever manner possible so that all who are baptized may remain a child of God until death. If you are willing to carry out this responsibility, then answer: Yes, and we ask God to help us

C: Yes, and we ask God to help us.

BAPTISMAL GARMENT

M: This white garment shows that Christ has taken away your sin and put on you his perfect robe of righteousness.

BAPTISMAL CANDLE

A baptismal candle may be lit from the paschal or altar candle and be given to the baptized (or to the parent or sponsor of a child) by the minister who says:

M: Jesus said: "I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will never walk in darkness, but will have the light of life."

Receive this burning light. Live always by the light of Christ, and be ever watchful for his coming, that you may meet him with joy and enter with him into the marriage feast of the Lamb in his kingdom, which shall have no end.

Light this candle again and again in years to come on anniversaries of this day, and recall what God has done for *Stevie* through the gift of his Son and through Baptism which unites *her* with Jesus in his death to sin and resurrection to new life.

PRAYER

M: Let us pray.

M: Merciful Father in heaven, we thank you for the gift of Baptism by which you wash away sin and give us a new and eternal life. Help us each day to remember that through Baptism you clothe us with Christ that we may stand holy and righteous before you. Look with favor on *Stevie* that *she* may be kept safe by the gift of your Spirit, grow daily in your grace, and live forever by the power of the risen Christ. Make us willing to carry out our responsibilities to all the baptized, so that all may finally come to the blessed joys of heaven, through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

The minister dismisses the baptismal party, saying:

M: Almighty God, the Father of our Lord (+) Jesus Christ, strengthen you by his Spirit, that Christ, dwelling in your hearts by faith, may fill you with all spiritual blessings.

Go in peace.

PRAYER OF THE DAY

M: The Lord be with you.



C: And al - so with you.

M: Let us pray.

Lord Jesus Christ, by your victory you have broken the power of the evil one. Fill our hearts with joy and peace as we look with hope to that day when every creature in heaven and earth will acclaim you King of kings and Lord of lords to your unending praise and glory; for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.





THE WORD

FIRST LESSON: Jeremiah 23:2-6

² Therefore thus says the LORD, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who care for my people: "You have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. Behold, I will attend to you for your evil deeds, declares the LORD. ³ Then I will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. ⁴ I will set shepherds over them who will care for them, and they shall fear no more, nor be dismayed, neither shall any be missing, declares the LORD.

⁵ "Behold, the days are coming, declares 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. ⁶ In his days Judah will be

saved, and Israel will dwell securely. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The LORD is our righteousness.'

PSALM OF THE DAY: Psalm 150

The choir sings Cantate Domino (Public Domain – Giuseppe Pitoni [1657-1743])

Cantate Domino canticum novum; laus ejus in ecclesia sanctorum. Laetetur Israël in eo qui fecit eum, et filii Sion exsultent in rege suo. Sing ye to the Lord a new canticle: let his praise be in the church of the saints. Let Israel rejoice in him that made him: and let the children of Sion be joyful in their king.

SECOND LESSON: Colossians 1:13-20

¹³ He has delivered us from the domain of darkness and transferred us to the kingdom of his beloved Son, ¹⁴ in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation. ¹⁶ 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. ¹⁷ And he is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ 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. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of

God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, making peace by the blood of his cross.

VERSE OF THE DAY (sung by the choir)

Alleluia! I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia!

(Revelation 22:13)

STAND

After the announcement of the Gospel, the congregation sings:



GOSPEL: Luke 23:35-43

³⁵ 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!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews."

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged railed at him, saying, "Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed justly, for we are receiving the due reward of our deeds; but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² And he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." ⁴³ And he said to him, "Truly, I say to you, today you will be with me in paradise."



BE SEATED

GOSPEL RESPONSE: "King of Glory, King of Peace" (Public Domain, J.S. Bach [1685-1750] and John Donne [1573-1631])

King of glory, King of peace, I will love thee; and that love may never cease, I will move thee. Thou hast granted my request, thou hast heard me. Thou didst note my working breast, thou hast spared me.

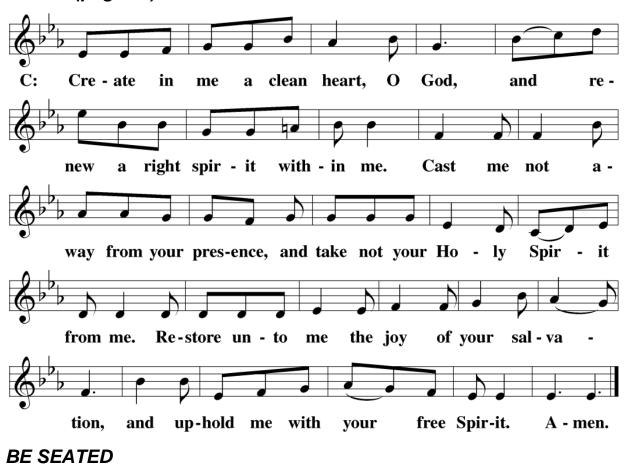
Wherefore with my utmost art I will sing thee; and the cream of all my heart I will bring thee. Though my sins against me cried, thou didst clear me; and alone, when they replied, thou didst hear me.

Seven whole days, not one in seven, I will praise thee. In my heart, though not in heaven, I can raise thee. Small it is in this poor sort to enroll thee; e'en eternity's too short to extol thee.

HYMN OF THE DAY: #392 "Not Unto Us"

SERMON

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OFFERING

Offering Music (handbells): "O Jesus, King Most Wonderful"

STAND

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH FOR CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

M:To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be praise and honor and glory and power for ever and ever!

C:Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory.

M:You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise, for you created all things and by your will they were created and have their being.

C: Alleluia! For our Lord God Almighty reigns!

M:You are worthy, O Christ our King, to receive honor and glory and praise because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased us for God. From every tribe and language and people and nation, you have called us into your kingdom and have made us priests to serve you, our God and Father.

C: Help us live as royal priests.

M:We give thanks to you, O Christ our Shepherd-King, because you have searched for us and found us. Lead us to the green pastures and quiet waters of your saving love, so that we may enjoy peace and comfort for our souls.

C:Heal our hearts when they are broken with sin and guilt. Strengthen us when we are weak.

M:We give thanks to you, Lord God Almighty, because you have taken your great power and have begun to reign. Come with your mighty power to break and defeat every evil plan and purpose of the devil, of the ungodly influences and ideas of the world, and of our own sinful nature. Use your power to calm the unrest among nations and peoples so that your kingdom may spread and grow.

C:Strengthen our confidence in knowing that your kingdom will never be destroyed.

M:O Christ our King, you have supremacy over all. You will judge the world in righteousness and the peoples with equity. You have destroyed death and brought life and immortality to light through the

gospel. Reign in our hearts that we may serve you more faithfully and speak more boldly to others of your saving love.

C:Praise be to the Lord God, who alone does marvelous deeds. May the whole earth be filled with his glory.

Special prayers and intercessions may follow.

M:Hear us, Lord, as we bring you our private petitions.

Silent prayer.

M:Look, he is coming with the clouds, and every eye will see him, even those who pierced him. The kingdom of the world has become the kingdom of our Lord and of his Christ, and he will reign for ever and ever, King of kings and Lord of lords.

C:The Lord God Almighty reigns! Let us rejoice and be glad and give him glory! Amen.

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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.



THE SACRAMENT

PREFACE

M: The Lord be with you.



M: Lift up your hearts.



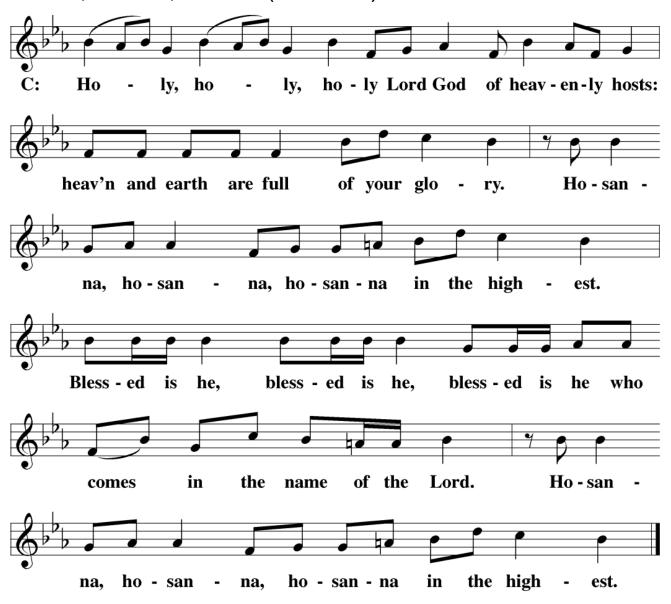
M: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God.



M: It is truly good and right that we should at all times and in all places give you thanks, O Lord, holy Father, almighty and everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who preserves his Church to the end of time when he will come again as king to judge all people

and take his own to glory. Therefore, with all the saints on earth and hosts of heaven, we praise your holy name and join their glorious song:

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY (Sanctus)



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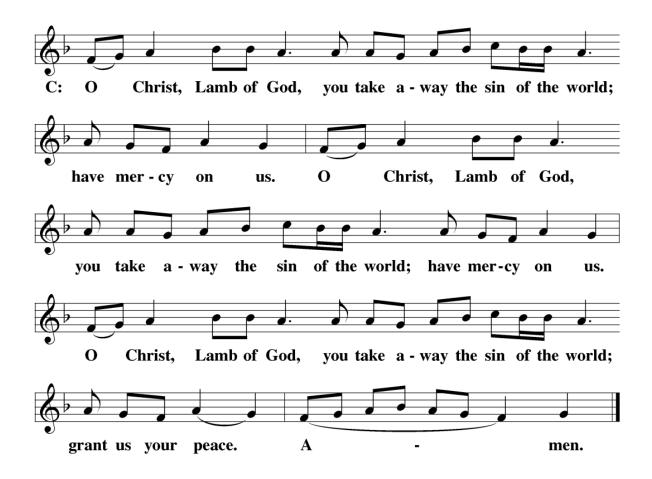
M: Our Lord Jesus Christ, on the night he was betrayed, took bread; and when he had given thanks, he broke it and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat; this is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

Then he took the cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying, "Drink from it, all of you; this is the new testament in my (+) blood, which is poured out for you for the forgiveness of sins. Do this, whenever you drink it, in remembrance of me."

M: The peace of the Lord be with you always.



O CHRIST, LAMB OF GOD (Agnus Dei)



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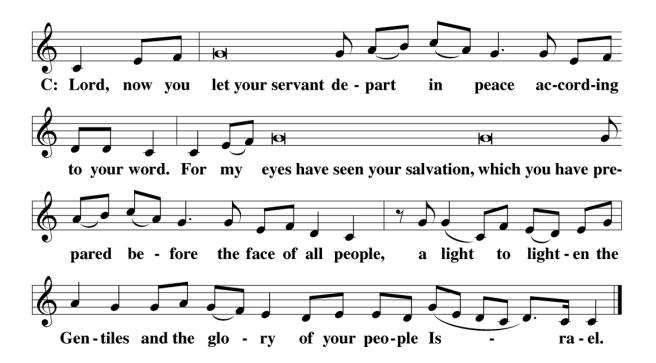
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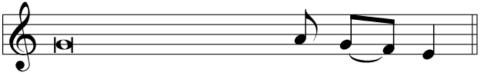
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STAND

SONG OF SIMEON (Nunc Dimittis)



M: O give thanks to the Lord, for he is good.



C: And his mercy endures for - ev - er.

O God the Father, source of all goodness, in your loving kindness you sent your Son to share our humanity. We thank you that through him you have given us pardon and peace in this sacrament. We also pray that you will not forsake us but will rule our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit so that we

willingly serve you day after day, through Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.



M: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



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OFFICIANTS:

Preacher and Celebrant: Pastor Paul Schaefer Communion Assistants: Mark Castellese and Dan Lanning Organist: Mrs. Jan Jacobi; Choir: Senior Choir, Handbell Choir

THIS WEEK AT ST. PETER'S

Today - 9:30 AM Divine Service

-10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Monday - 4:00 PM Youth Catechism

Wednesday - 9:00 AM Bible Class

- 7:00 PM Thanksgiving Eve service

- Preschool Thanksgiving break Wednesday - Friday

Thursday - No music rehearsals

Saturday - 9:00 AM Decorating the church for Christmas

Sunday - 9:30 AM Divine Service

- 10:45 AM Sunday School and Adult Bible Class

Serving next week: Altar Guild (Sunday) – Lois Lanning; Ushering – Team 1 for Thanksgiving; Team 2 for Sunday

JOB OPPORTUNITY - St. Peter's is currently renting out gym time to a few organizations. On Tuesdays, 5pm-9pm, a cheerleading organization uses the facility. We'd like to know if there is a St. Peter's teenager that would like to earn some money (\$5/hr) and be on site at St. Peter's while that group is in the building. This person would simply be a contact for the group; no real interaction is necessary. We'd provide a list of Trustee contact numbers for the monitor to use should an issue arise. If you're interested and want more details, please contact Howard Alaniva 734-612-4480 (voice or text) or ha2431@att.com.

CHURCH DECORATING – Please join us in decorating the church for Advent and Christmas on Saturday, November 26 at 9:00 a.m. More helpers mean less work and a faster completion time for all!

THANK YOU - The family of Ronald & Carolyn Wendland would like to thank the members of St. Peter's for their prayers, cards and kind words over the past four months.

PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS SERVICE - The congregation is invited to the Preschool Christmas Service at 1:30 pm on Sunday, Dec. 11. We will have refreshments in the gym following the service. There is a signup sheet in the narthex if you are able to donate refreshments (cookies, carrots, celery, broccoli, punch, coffee, red and/or green plates and napkins).

Upcoming Dates

Tuesday, November 29 - 7:00 PM All boards meet 8:00 PM Church Council Meeting

Wednesday, November 30 - 7:00 PM Service of Lessons and Carols Sunday, December 11 - 1:30 PM Preschool/Congregational Advent Service

Tuesday, December 13 - 7:00 PM Voters' Assembly

Saturday, December 24 - 7:00 PM Christmas Eve Carol Service

11:00 PM Christmas Eve Divine Service

Sunday, December 25 - 9:30 AM Christmas Day Divine Service

PASTORAL CARE & MERCY - Please remember with prayers, cards and visits those who needs have been reported.

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