

Trinity Lutheran

Church

Brewster, NY

Chris the
King 

S U N D A Y

Service of the Word

November 26, 2023

9:30 AM



WELCOME as we gather in the name of God! Whether we are physically present with one another or gathering remotely, we know that Christ is truly present in our midst.

We welcome our visitors today. If you are looking for a church home and want to know more about living together as Christians, please contact Pastor Boyd during the week.

If you know of others who are in need of signs of God's love and grace, who are curious and/or questioning, who would like to experience the peace of Christ – please invite them to join us for worship in person or through our social media channels. They may also contact the church office (trinlutheranoffice@yahoo.com) and/or Pastor Jen (revjedyer1@yahoo.com).

You are invited to worship with us each week. There is a spoken in-person service on Thursdays at 12 noon and on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. as well as via Facebook Live on Trinity's Facebook page. Services may also be viewed on Comcast channel 21 at 11 am (note, they are a week behind). The service will be posted later on our YouTube page. The weekly bulletin is posted on our website:

Website: <http://trinitybrewsterny.org>

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/Trinity-Lutheran-Church-Brewster-NY-160570420670756>.

YouTube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCeBfzaqPTuf8fe3PjPr21gA?view_as=subscriber

PARENTS: *Please help your children follow the worship service, including standing up with the assembly. Thank you.*

The order for worship is Evangelical Lutheran Worship (ELW), Setting 10. The complete order for worship is printed in this worship folder. Congregational responses are in bold. If you require an enlarged print bulletin or an assistive listening device, please ask an usher. Copyright material used by permission of Augsburg Fortress under license SBL14214 and #SBL14215.

INTRODUCTION

At multiple points and in many different ways after assuming the throne, King Josiah attempts to “turn the ship”—to redeem past wrongs committed by God’s people and to call them back into right relationship with the divine and with each other.

+ GATHER +

Prelude: *“Jesu geh’ voran”* Wilhelm Rudnick

Welcome and prayer requests

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

CALL TO WORSHIP

Come and hear the Word of God!

We gather in this place to listen and learn.

God reveals God’s promise to us in sacred text.

We respond by promising faithfulness to God.

CONFESSION

We confess our sins before God and one another.

Silence for reflection and self-examination

God whose reign is just,

We acknowledge that our actions and inactions have led to the oppression of our neighbors. We have willingly benefitted from privileges that cause harm to others. We have failed to heed your call to lead from a place of humility, and to care for our communities in a way that makes it possible for all to flourish. Forgive us our fear of scarcity and love of power, and keep us ever mindful of the needs of others.

ABSOLUTION

The reign of God has come near to you! In Christ Jesus, we are reconciled to God, and therefore God forgives us all our sins. Let God guide us to work for God’s justice. **Amen.**

GATHERING HYMN: *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* ELW 634

**All hail the power of Jesus' name!
Let angels prostrate fall;
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown him Lord of all.
Bring forth the royal diadem
And crown him Lord of all.**

**O seed of Israel's chosen race
Now ransomed from the fall,
Hail him who saves you by his grace
And crown him Lord of all.
Hail him who saves you by his grace
And crown him Lord of all.**

**Hail him, you heirs of David's line,
Whom David Lord did call—
The God incarnate, man divine—
And crown him Lord of all.
The God incarnate, man divine—
And crown him Lord of all.**

**Sinners, whose love can ne'er forget
The wormwood and the gall,
Go spread your trophies at his feet
And crown him Lord of all.
Go spread your trophies at his feet
And crown him Lord of all.**

Text: Edward Perronet, 1726-1792, sts. 1-4; J. Rippon, *A Selection of Hymns*, 1787, sts. 5-6

Music: Oliver Holden, 1765-1844

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The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all. **And also with you.**

HYMN OF PRAISE: *Praise Ye the Lord* #872 (vs. 1 & 3)

Refrain

Praise ye the Lord, hallelujah!

Ev'rybody, praise the Lord.

Praise God with the sound of the trumpet;

Praise God with the lute and the harp;

Praise God with the timbrel and dancing;

Praise God wherever you are.

Refrain

Praise God in the holy temple;

Praise God for almighty deeds;

Praise God for those bountiful mercies;

For God fulfills our needs.

Refrain

Text: J. Jefferson Cleveland, 1937-1986, based on Psalm 150

Music: J. Jefferson Cleveland

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PRAYER OF THE DAY

God of faithfulness, **your servant Josiah restored your holy words to a people longing for your guidance. Help us learn your Scriptures so that we might carry your words in our hearts, in our words and in our actions. Amen.**

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

+ WORD +

READING: 2 Kings 22:1-10, [14-20]; 23=1-3

Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign; he reigned for thirty-one years in Jerusalem. His mother's name was Jedidah daughter of Adaiah of Bozkath. He did what was right in the sight of the Lord, and walked in all the way of his father David; he did not turn aside to the right or to the left.

In the eighteenth year of King Josiah, the king sent Shaphan son of Azaliah, son of Meshullam, the secretary, to the house of the Lord, saying, 'Go up to the high priest Hilkiah, and have him count the entire sum of the money that has been brought into the house of the Lord, which the keepers of the threshold have collected from the people; let it be given into the hand of the workers who have the oversight of the house of the Lord; let them give it to the workers who are at the house of the Lord, repairing the house, that is, to the carpenters, to the builders, to the masons; and let them use it to buy timber and quarried stone to repair the house. But no account shall be asked from them for the money that is delivered into their hand, for they deal honestly.'

The high priest Hilkiah said to Shaphan the secretary, 'I have found the book of the law in the house of the Lord.' When Hilkiah gave the book to Shaphan, he read it. Then Shaphan the secretary came to the king, and reported to the king, 'Your servants have emptied out the money that was found in the house, and have delivered it into the hand of the workers who have oversight of the house of the Lord.' Shaphan the secretary informed the king, 'The priest Hilkiah has given me a book.' Shaphan then read it aloud to the king.

So the priest Hilkiah, Ahikam, Achbor, Shaphan, and Asaiah went to the prophetess Huldah the wife of Shallum son of Tikvah, son of Harhas, keeper of the wardrobe; she resided in Jerusalem in the Second Quarter, where they consulted her. She declared to them, 'Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Tell the man who sent you to me, Thus says the Lord, I will indeed bring disaster on this place and on its inhabitants—all the words of the book that the king of Judah has read. Because they have abandoned me and have made offerings to other gods, so that they have provoked me to anger with all the work of their hands, therefore my wrath will be kindled against this place, and it will

not be quenched. But as to the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the Lord, thus shall you say to him, Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Regarding the words that you have heard, because your heart was penitent, and you humbled yourself before the Lord, when you heard how I spoke against this place, and against its inhabitants, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and because you have torn your clothes and wept before me, I also have heard you, says the Lord. Therefore, I will gather you to your ancestors, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace; your eyes shall not see all the disaster that I will bring on this place.’ They took the message back to the king.

Then the king directed that all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem should be gathered to him. The king went up to the house of the Lord, and with him went all the people of Judah, all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the priests, the prophets, and all the people, both small and great; he read in their hearing all the words of the book of the covenant that had been found in the house of the Lord. The king stood by the pillar and made a covenant before the Lord, to follow the Lord, keeping his commandments, his decrees, and his statutes, with all his heart and all his soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. All the people joined in the covenant.

Word of God, Word of Life

Thanks be to God

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

Gospel Acclamation



GOSPEL: Luke 24:30-32

The Holy Gospel according to Luke the 24th chapter.

Glory to you, O Lord.

When he was at the table with them, he took bread, blessed and broke it, and gave it to them. Then their eyes were opened, and they recognized him; and he vanished from their sight. They said to each other, 'Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road, while he was opening the scriptures to us?'

The Gospel of the Lord

Praise to you, O Christ.

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

SERMON

DEACON CHARLES GERMAIN

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

HYMN OF THE DAY: "Light Dawns on a Weary World" ELW 726

Light dawns on a weary world

When eyes begin to see

All people's dignity.

Light dawns on a weary world:

The promised day of justice comes.

Refrain

The trees shall clap their hands; the dry lands, gush with springs;

The hills and mountains shall break forth with singing!

We shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace,

As all the world in wonder echoes shalom.

Love grows in a weary world

When hungry hearts find bread

And children's dreams are fed.

Love grows in a weary world:

The promised feast of plenty comes.

Refrain

**Hope blooms in a weary world
When creatures, once forlorn,
Find wilderness reborn.
Hope blooms in a weary world:
The promised green of Eden comes.
Refrain**

Text: Mary Louise Bringle, b. 1953

Music: William P. Rowan, b. 1951

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APOSTLES' CREED

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

**I believe in Jesus Christ, God's 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 to the dead.
On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
The forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

Confident in the gracious and ever-widening mercy of God, let us pray for the world, the body of Christ, and all who yearn for wholeness of life.

A brief silence.

God of the covenant, let us read your word with the same surprise and wonder as King Josiah, each time as if we are reading it for the first time. Guide us through your holy scriptures into a life of love, grace, and mercy for all people. God of Justice, **hear our prayer.**

In the very beginning of scripture, you called us to tend to your natural world. Hold us to that call that we might work diligently to reverse the damage we have done and restore your creation to wholeness. God of Justice, **hear our prayer.**

Inspire all who participate in law-making at any level, so that our laws might be just guides for the flourishing of all our communities, nations, and the world. God of Justice, **hear our prayer.**

Bring peace to all who struggle with challenges to their physical or mental health, or who are walking through grief. We pause to pray especially for those we name now, aloud or in our hearts.... (pause). We also lift up in prayer **Stig, Heidi, Janice, Judy, Maisa, Jim, Mary, Debbie, Bill and for those who have no one to name them and those who do not know Christ's name.** God of Justice, **hear our prayer.**

We thank you for comedians whose wry social commentary or grasp of the mundane makes us experience the cathartic and healing power of laughter. Remind us always that you are a God of joy and laughter, and help us to see your sense of humor in the world around us. God of Justice, **hear our prayer.**

We remember the example of those saints in our lives who have honored your commandments in all they said and did. Keep us steadfast in your word in memory of them until we live together in your eternal reign. God of Justice, **hear our prayer.**

Here other petitions may be offered silently, aloud or online in the comments.

Deacon: And so in faith and hope, we draw near to you, with nothing but our prayers to offer, trusting your grace will be enough for all the burdens we carry. In your powerful and holy name, Jesus our Savior and Messiah, we pray. **Amen.**

SHARING OF PEACE

You are invited to share a sign of peace with others. Please check with those around you if they are comfortable with a handshake, elbow bump or other physical signs before reaching out. Peace signs and humble bows are a healthy alternative.

The peace of Christ be with you always!

And also with you

THE ASSEMBLY IS SEATED

OFFERING

ANTHEM: *“Ride On, King Jesus”* Spiritual arr. by Elliott Forbes

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

OFFERTORY HYMN **We Give Thee But Thine Own** ELW #686

**We give thee but thine own,
Whate'er the gift may be;
All that we have is thine alone,
A trust, O Lord, from thee.**

**May we thy bounties thus
As stewards true receive,
And gladly, as thou blessest us,
To thee our first fruits give.**

**The captive to release,
To God the lost to bring,
To teach the way of life and peace—
It is a Christ-like thing.**

**And we believe thy word,
Though dim our faith may be:
Whate'er we do for thine, O Lord,
We do it unto thee.**

Text: William W. How, 1823-1897, alt.

Music: L. Mason and G. Webb, Cantica Lauda, 1850

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OFFERING PRAYER

O God, you fulfill your promise to care for us each day. **We respond by fulfilling our promise to be your people. As a sign of our faithfulness, receive these gifts, and use them for the care and keeping of every beloved child of God. Amen.**

Blessed by God's loving grace and empowered by the Holy Spirit, we are bold to pray...

**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**

+ SENDING +

THE ASSEMBLY SITS

Mission and Ministry Announcements

THE ASSEMBLY STANDS

BLESSING

SENDING HYMN: "*Lead On, O King Eternal*" ELW 805

**Lead on, O King eternal! The day of march has come;
Hence-forth in fields of conquest your tents will be our home.
Through days of preparation your grace has made us strong;
And now, O King eternal, we lift our battle song.**

**Lead on, O King eternal, till sin's fierce war shall cease,
And holiness shall whisper the sweet amen of peace;
For not with swords loud clashing, nor roll of stirring drums,
But deeds of love and mercy the heav'nly kingdom comes.**

**Lead on, O King eternal: we follow, not with fears,
For gladness breaks like morning where'er your face appears.
Your cross is lifted o'er us; we journey in its light;
The crown awaits the conquest; lead on, O God of might!**

Text: Ernest W. Shurtleff, 1862-1917

Music: Henry T. Smart, 1813-1879

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DISMISSAL

The worship has ended, let the service begin
Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
Thanks be to God!

Postlude: "*Wunderbarer Koenig*" Wilhelm Rudnick

WORSHIP NOTES:

Portions of the worship service has been adapted by Pastor Jen from the following resources:

- ✚ Introduction, Offering prayer, Prayers of Intercession, Call to Worship, Confession & Absolution, Prayer of the Day (*@ Clergy stuff*)
- ✚ Prayer of the Day (Working Preacher website)
- ✚ Other parts of worship are from the hymnals, Evangelical Lutheran Worship and All Creation Sings

MUSIC NOTES:

Wilhelm Rudnick (1850-1927) was born in Poland into a family of church musicians. He wrote five sonatas, directed in churches, and taught in schools. His compositions follow the Late Romantic style with wide contrasts in volume and in dramatic tension. The prelude is based on a Moravian hymn by Pastor and founder of the Moravian Church, Nikolaus Ludwig von Zinzendorf.

Today's altar flowers are given by:



Kathie Ruhs with love and in celebration of my grandson Dylan's twenty-first birthday. Happy Birthday "D" and blessings always!

SCHEDULED TO SERVE SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26, 2023:

		<i>Assisting Minister</i>	<i>Ushers</i>
November 26th	9:30 AM Service of the Word	<i>Kathie Ruhs</i>	<i>Bruce Markert Don Icken</i>

LET'S WISH HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Tatum Bettcher	Nov	26
Heidi Kuhland	Nov	26
Bruce Foley, Sr.	Nov	28
Kristina McKenzie	Nov	29
Stephanie Howard	Nov	30
Lynn Stoecker	Nov	30





WORSHIP SERVICES—November 2023

The organ prelude and preparatory time for worship begins approximately ten minutes before each service.

November 26 @ 9:30 a.m.; Service of the Word, Christ the King

A complete **CALENDAR** can be found at:

www.trinitybrewsterny.org

PARENTS OF INFANTS AND YOUNG CHILDREN: Restless or unhappy children can be taken to the Narthex, where worship can be heard over speakers. Busy bags with activities are available in the narthex for our youngest worshippers. Please return the bags at the end of the service.