



ST. GEORGE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

803 West Main St, Brighton, MI 48116

www.stgeorgelutheran.org

November 20, 2022

9:00 a.m.

Phone 810-229-6670

stgeorgebrighton@gmail.com

Christ the King Sunday

Holy Communion

Welcome! We are glad you're here!

A warm welcome is extended to all!

Your presence enriches us at this time of celebration together.

Welcome and Announcements

Prepare our Hearts for Worship

Sharing of the Peace

Confession and Forgiveness

In these moments, Remembering God, we bring to you all the ways we have not lived as your people:

we stand by watching while those in need struggle to survive; we cast our lots with those who worship power and success; we offer insults rather than words of grace to those who care for us; we scoff at your words which call us to a different lifestyle.

Forgive us, God of Mercy, for not knowing what we do to you, to others, to ourselves. Speak to us through Jesus Christ, our King and our Savior, who bears words filled with your tender mercy and gracious hope.

Assurance of Pardon

This is the good news: God remembers!

Not our sins, not our foolish lives, not our rebellion.

God remembers us—and redeems us!

Joyfully, we offer our thanks to God. Amen.

~ written by Thom Shuman, and posted on [Lectionary Liturgies](http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/2010/11/reign-of-christ-c.html). <http://lectionaryliturgies.blogspot.ca/2010/11/reign-of-christ-c.html>

Entrance Hymn:**Crown Him with Many Crowns**

#855

Crown Him with many crowns,
the Lamb upon His throne;
hark, how the heav'nly anthem drowns
all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing
of Him who died for Thee,
and hail Him as Thy matchless king
through all eternity.

Crown Him the virgin's Son,
the God incarnate born,
whose arm those crimson trophies won
which now His brow adorn;
fruit of the mystic rose,
yet of that rose the stem,
the root whence mercy ever flows,
the babe of Bethlehem.

Crown Him the Lord of love--
behold His hands and side,
rich wounds, yet visible above,
in beauty glorified.
No angels in the sky

Apostolic Greeting

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

C **And also with you.**

Hymn of Praise: This is the Feast

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Worthy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us free to be people of God. Power and riches and wisdom and strength, and honor and blessing and glory are his.

This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia.

Sing with all the people of God, and join in the hymn of all creation: Blessing and honor and glory and might be to God and the Lamb forever. Amen.

This is the feast of victory for our God. For the Lamb who was slain has begun his reign. Alleluia, alleluia.

can fully bear that sight,
but downward bend their burning eyes
at mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of life,
who triumphed o'er the grave
and rose victorious in the strife
for those He came to save.

His glories now we sing,
who died and rose on high,
who died, eternal life to bring,
and lives that death may die.

Crown Him the Lord of years,
the potentate of time,
creator of the rolling spheres,
ineffably sublime.

All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me;
Thy praise and glory shall not fail
throughout eternity.

Matthew Bridges; George J. Elvey

Prayer of the Day: O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Youth Message

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. Therefore thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall no longer fear longer or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

The days are surely coming, says 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. In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

L The Word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

though its waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult. Selah
There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy habitation of the Most High.

God is in the midst of the city; it shall not be moved; God will help it when the morning dawns.

The nations are in an uproar, the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice, the earth melts.

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Come, behold the works of the LORD; see what desolations he has brought on the earth.

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear; he burns the shields with fire.

"Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth."

The LORD of hosts is with us; **the God of Jacob is our refuge.**

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

May you be made strong with all the strength that comes from his glorious power, so that you may have all endurance and patience, joyfully giving thanks to the Father, who has enabled you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has rescued us from the power of darkness and transferred us into the kingdom of his beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins.

He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

L The Word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God

All: Alleluia, Lord, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life. Alleluia, Alleluia.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Luke, the twenty-third chapter.

All: Glory to you, O Lord.

Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. [[Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" The

soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.” He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

P The Gospel of the Lord

All Praise to You, O Christ.

Sermon

Hymn of the Day: Rejoice, For Christ Is King!

#430

Rejoice, for Christ is king! Your Lord
and king adore; rejoice, give thanks, and
sing, and triumph evermore:

He took His seat above: *Refrain*

Refrain:

His kingdom cannot fail; He rules o'er
earth and heav'n; the keys of death and
hell are to our Jesus giv'n: *Refrain*

Lift up your heart, lift up your voice;
rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Our Savior Jesus reigns, the God of truth
and love; when He had purged our stains,

He sits at God's right hand till all His foes
submit and bow to His command
and fall beneath his feet: *Refrain*

Apostle's 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, and 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:

L Lord, in your mercy....

C Hear our Prayer

Offertory

Let the vineyards be fruitful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of blessing. Gather a harvest from the seeds that were sown, that we may be fed with the bread of life. Gather the hopes and the dreams of all; unite them with the prayers we offer. Grace our table with your presence and give us a foretaste of the feast to come.

Offertory Prayer

Merciful God, as grains of wheat scattered upon the hills were gathered together to become one bread, so let your church be gathered together from the ends of the earth into your kingdom, for yours is the glory through Jesus Christ, now and forever. Amen.

Words of Institution

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, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lamb of God: Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world; have mercy on us. Lamb of God, you take away the sin of the world, have mercy on us. Lamb of God you take away the sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

Holy Communion: Jesus Remember Me (3 Times) #616
Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom. Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.

Jacques Berthier, 1923-1994

Soon and Very Soon

#439

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see
the King, soon and very soon we are
goin' to see the King, soon and very
soon, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see
the king.

No more dyin' there, we are goin' to see
the King, no more dyin' there, we are
goin' to see the King, no more dyin'
there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see
the king.

No more cryin' there, we are goin' to see
the King, no more cryin' there, we are
goin' to see the King, no more cryin'
there, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see
the king.

Soon and very soon we are goin' to see
the King, soon and very soon we are
goin' to see the King, soon and very
soon, we are goin' to see the King.
Hallelujah, hallelujah, we're goin' to see
the king.

Andrae Crouch

Post Communion Blessing:

L The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C Amen

Post Communion Canticle:

Thank the Lord and sing his praise, tell everyone what he has done. Let everyone who seeks the Lord rejoice and proudly bear his name. He recalls his promises and leads his people forth in joy with shouts of thanksgiving. Alleluia, Alleluia.

Benediction:

It is not enough to acclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and King.

Our mission in life is to make his kingdom a reality among us and to bring it to those around us by our words and deeds.

The way to do this is to live as he lived:
for others, in love and service.

May almighty God bless you for this task:
the Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

~ from Liturgies Alive, Models of Celebration.

Dismissal:

Go in peace to love and serve the Lord
and to give shape to his kingdom. **Thanks be to God!**

Sending Hymn: All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!

#634

All hail the pow'r 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.

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.

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.

Let ev'ry kindred, ev'ry tribe on this
terrestrial ball
to him all majesty ascribe and crown him
Lord of all.
To him all majesty ascribe 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.

Oh, that with yonder sacred throng we at
his feet may fall!
We'll join the everlasting song and crown
him Lord of all.
We'll join the everlasting song and crown
him Lord of all.

Text: Edward Perronet; Music: Oliver Holden.

Dismissal

Go in peace, serve the Lord,
Thanks be to God.

Current Budget Report: as of 11/06/2022

Last week's giving: \$7,067.25

Needed to meet budget: \$5,406.00

Year to Date: \$239,392.77

Ahead (Behind) Budget: (\$20,222.61)

Announcements

Bible Study: Thursdays at 10:00 at the Parish House and via Zoom.

Thanksgiving Pie Sale: Pick up pies today!

Advent by Candlelight: Tuesday, December 6th at 6:30 PM.

Community Thanksgiving Worship: Grace Lutheran Church, today, November 20th at 4 PM.

Needleworks: Thursday, December 15th, at 11:30 in the Fellowship Hall.

Pledge cards: If you have not turned in your pledge card for 2023, please do so as soon as possible. Council is in the process of creating a budget for the annual meeting, on Dec. 4th, and would like to have the best indicators to plan the 2023 budget. Thank you!

Looking for a Gift for Christmas?

Consider the ELCA Good Gifts Catalog!

(Catalog can be found in the narthex)

Send a goat! Send some chicks or grow the flock by adding a rooster! Gifts range from \$10 for the chicks to \$2,500 for a water well or one class for a seminarian. You can even give any amount for wherever the need is most. And best of all, you can shop from home with the catalog, online at ELCA.org/goodgifts, or by phone at 800-638-3522. Give a gift in honor of a loved one, and you can receive or print cards for them! Help the ELCA help the world this Christmas!

Prayers of Grace & Support

Please pray for:

- Bill Foster in assisted living.
- Kathy Boyes recovering.
- Melissa Alofalter, Angela Martin's friend, battling an unknown medical issue, beginning with MS and COVID.
- Bob Lusky, father of Bob and Lorna's son-in-law David, who has cancer.
- Qamar family, Gail's students, traveling to Pakistan for month of November.
- Lydia, Gail's student, grandmother of three-year-old granddaughter who is in the hospital with RSV.
- Ray, Alia's older brother, who has COVID along with severe RA and heart problems.
- Gary Banas, recovering.
- Dottie Woodman, recovering.
- The family of Beth Minert, following her passing in July.
- The family of Dr. Gary Arnold, following his passing in September.
- The family of Michael Biber, following his passing in October.
- Arlene, Alia's friend, suffering persistent pain in her neck, shoulder and arm.
- Lisa, friend of Tessa, having heart valve replacement surgery Oct 26.
- Margret Doane, Kristiina H.'s friend, with breast cancer.
- Micah, Alia's nephew, with a chronic infection and declining health.
- Dr. Laura Tinning Reistar, Douglas and Arlene Turner's niece, is in the care of hospice and her husband.
- Nancy Briggs, Douglas Turner's sister, for healing.
- Dan Lindberg, cousin of Kathy and Keith Boyes, has pancreatic cancer.
- Carrie Weiland recovering from surgery.
- Barb Gienapp with health concerns.
- Noah Taylor, friend of Kathie Wilhem's son, following a bad auto accident.
- Ethan and his mom, Marianne, as they are dealing with major physical and emotional struggles. From Linda Walton.
- Theo Evans treated with leukemia.
- Joan Richardson, dealing with health concerns.
- Cindy Brach with health issues.
- John Brach with health issues.
- Prayers for all those suffering in Ukraine.
- Charlie Davis, Marylou's husband, with cancer.
- Jon Brach and his family with health and life difficulties.
- Pan Norton, Cindy Brach's son's mother-in-law.
- Jackie (Gail's piano student) diagnosed with throat cancer.
- Arline Petersburg with medical issues.
- Theresa Pope, fiancé of Michael Knight, for her battle with breast cancer.

- Niece of Elaine McIntyre, Patsy McIntyre Costin, diagnosed with colon cancer.
- Terry Pitt, Collene Hedden’s brother -in-law, with auto-immune disease.
- Vicki, Kristiina Herbst’s neighbor, with health concerns.
- Beulah & Mark who are having health and life difficulties.

	November 20	November 27	Dec. 4	Dec. 11	Dec. 18	Dec. 24	Dec. 24	Dec. 25
	9:00 AM	9:00 AM	9:00 AM	9:00 AM	9:00 AM	4:00 PM	6:00 PM	9:00 AM
Asst. Min	Keith B.	Joan V.	Keith B.					Keith B.
Lay Reader	Keith B.	Joan V.	Keith B.					Keith B.
Greeter								
Usher		Jerry						
Media	Graenser	Prieskorn	Prieskorn	Graenser	Graenser			Prieskorn
Fellowship								
Altar Care	Judy	Joanne	Linda F.	Linda F.	Linda G.	Elaine	& Joanne	Elaine



St. George is a warm, friendly, spirit-filled congregation that has been blessed throughout many years. Most Christian denominations develop a distinct emphasis of the Christian faith and practice, and this is also true for Lutherans.

The Lutheran emphasis, in a word, is God's grace.

We emphasize the grace of God which forgives us, makes us God's children, and empowers us to serve others. **We welcome, include, and value all people.**