Zion Lutheran Church, Aberdeen, SD
Christ the King Sunday
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PRELUDE

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

GATHERING WORDS
Blessed be the Holy Trinity, ☩ our provider, our healer, and our keeper. As we are gathered to hear your word, O Lord,

make our ears receptive to your calling, and our eyes keen to see you at work. Make this a place where your mission is lived, empowering us to cultivate communities of caring and belonging as champions of the gospel. Amen.

GATHERING SONG ***All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!***

All hail the power of Jesus name, let angels prostrate fall.
Bring forth the royal diadem, and crown Him Lord of all.
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Ye chosen seed of Israel's race, Ye 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.

Lord of all, You are Lord of all!
Lord of all, You are 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.

Lord of all, You are Lord of all!
Lord of all, You are Lord of all!

And crown Him Lord of all.
And crown Him Lord of all.
And crown Him Lord of all.
Lord of all, Lord of all!

CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS
We have come and affirm the faith we share with our ancestors, that God is our creator Father, our savior in the Son, our advocate in the Spirit.
We have come and affirm our faith that Christ the King saves us.

Where he was judged worthy of death by no sin of his own,
Christ takes on death and gives us life.

We have come and affirm our trust that Christ the King saves us,
turning us away from the harm we have done and turning us towards God.

A moment of silence for self-examination.

Merciful God,
we come before you, beloved but broken. We have not always treated others as we would want them to treat us. We have not always called out injustice and abuse. We have not always been kind to ourselves. We have not always taken care of the world we share with other living creatures.

Remind us that we are under your authority, bathed in your love.
Renew us by your Spirit to live as your holy people. Renew us to live as the one who came to take away our sins; your son, Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.

At every moment you are held in existence by the love of God, renewed by the Spirit within and among you, and made alive again in Christ. Receive this assurance in Jesus' name: you are ☩ forgiven and freed to live for the healing of the world. **Amen.**

SONG OF PRAISE ***Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us*** **ELW #789**

Vs. 1

1 Savior like a shepherd lead us;
much we need your tender care.
In your pleasant pastures feed us,
for our use your fold prepare.

Refrain

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us, we are yours.
Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus,
you have bought us, we are yours.

GREETING
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.**

PRAYER OF THE DAY
Let us pray together: God of deliverance, you promised prosperity and peace to the exiles of Jerusalem. **Grant us to prosper, not for riches, but for faith, so that our lives may be a blessing to all. We pray these things in the name of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

KIDS' TIME

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION ***God Has Made Us Promises***

God has made us promises, and those you can believe!
Let us all now serve the Lord, for God loves you and me!

All of us must each decide just who we're living for.
As for me, I choose to serve the Lord!

God has made us promises, and those you can believe!
Let us all now serve the Lord, for God loves you and me!

The holy gospel, according to Matthew, the fifth chapter.
Glory to you, O Lord.

GOSPEL **Matthew 5:14-16**

14 "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hid. 15 People do not light a
lamp and put it under the bushel basket; rather, they put it on the lampstand, and it gives light
to all in the house. 16 In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see
your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."

The gospel of the Lord.
Praise to you, O Christ.

PREPARING FOR THE WORD

FOCUS TEXT **Isaiah 36:1-3, 13-20; 37:1-7; 2:1-4**

1 In the fourteenth year of King Hezekiah, King Sennacherib of Assyria came up against all
the fortified cities of Judah and captured them. 2 The king of Assyria sent the Rabshakeh with a
great army from Lachish to King Hezekiah at Jerusalem. He stood by the conduit of the upper
pool on the highway to the fuller's field. 3 And there came out to him Eliakim son of Hilkiah, who
was in charge of the palace, and Shebna the secretary, and Joah son of Asaph, the recorder.

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3 Then the Rabshakeh stood and called out in a loud voice in the language of Judah, "Hear
the words of the great king, the king of Assyria! 14 Thus says the king: Do not let Hezekiah deceive
you, for he will not be able to deliver you. 15 Do not let Hezekiah make you rely on the Lord by
saying, 'The Lord will surely deliver us; this city will not be given into the hand of the king of
Assyria.' 16 Do not listen to Hezekiah, for thus says the king of Assyria: Make your peace with me
and come out to me; then every one of you will eat from your own vine and your own fig tree
and drink water from your own cistern, 17 until I come and take you away to a land like your own
land, a land of grain and wine, a land of bread and vineyards. 18 Do not let Hezekiah mislead you
by saying, 'The Lord will deliver us.'

Has any of the gods of the nations delivered their land out of the hand of the king of Assyria?
19 Where are the gods of Hamath and Arpad? Where are the gods of Sepharvaim? Have they
delivered Samaria out of my hand? 20 Who among all the gods of these countries have delivered
their countries out of my hand, that the Lord should deliver Jerusalem out of my hand?"

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1 When King Hezekiah heard it, he tore his clothes, covered himself with sackcloth and
went into the house of the Lord. 2 And he sent Eliakim, who was in charge of the palace, and
Shebna the secretary, and the senior priests, covered with sackcloth, to the prophet Isaiah son
of Amoz. 3 They said to him, "Thus says Hezekiah: This day is a day of distress, of rebuke, and of
disgrace; children have come to the birth, and there is no strength to bring them forth. 4 It may
be that the Lord your God heard the words of the Rabshakeh, whom his master the king of
Assyria has sent to mock the living God, and will rebuke the words that the Lord your God has
heard; therefore lift up your prayer for the remnant that is left."
5 [[When the servants of King Hezekiah came to Isaiah, 6 Isaiah said to them, "Say to your
master: Thus says the Lord: Do not be afraid because of the words that you have heard, with
which the servants of the king of Assyria have reviled me. 7 I myself will put a spirit in him, so that
he shall hear a rumor and return to his own land; I will cause him to fall by the sword in his own
land."]]

The word that Isaiah son of Amoz saw concerning Judah and Jerusalem.

2 In days to come
the mountain of the Lord's house
shall be established as the highest of the mountains
and shall be raised above the hills;
all the nations shall stream to it.
3 Many peoples shall come and say,
"Come, let us go up to the mountain of the Lord,
to the house of the God of Jacob,
that he may teach us his ways
and that we may walk in his paths."
For out of Zion shall go forth instruction
and the word of the Lord from Jerusalem.
4 He shall judge between the nations
and shall arbitrate for many peoples;
they shall beat their swords into plowshares
and their spears into pruning hooks;
nation shall not lift up sword against nation;
neither shall they learn war any more.

Word of God. Word of life.
Thanks be to God.

MESSAGE

SONG OF THE DAY ***You Are My King***

I'm forgiven because you were forsaken,
I'm accepted, You were condemned.
I'm alive and well, Your spirit lives within me
Because You died and rose again.

Amazing love, how can it be?
That You my king would die for me.
Amazing love, I know it's true.
It's my joy to honor you.
Amazing love, how can it be?
That You my king would die for me.
Amazing love, I know it's true.
It's my joy to honor you.
In all I do, I honor you.

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In all I do, I honor you.

You are my King.
You are my King.
Jesus You are my King.
Jesus You are my King.

BAPTISM **Oliver James Florence**

SHARING OF THE PEACE
The peace of the Lord be with you always.
And also with you.

OFFERING

We glorify God in our giving. Our offering is an act of worship that makes the ministries of this congregation possible. We encourage everyone to give. We encourage you to consider giving a gift online at zionlutheranaberdeen.org/giving or by mail as you are able. If you would like, use the QR code scanner on your smart phone to give online.

OFFERING SONG ***We Bow Down***

You are Lord of creation and Lord of my life,
Lord of the land and the sea.
You were Lord of the heavens before there was time.
And Lord of all lords You will be.

We bow down and we worship You Lord.
We bow down and we worship You Lord.
We bow down and we worship You Lord.
Lord of all lords You will be.

You are King of Creation and King of my life,
King of the land and the sea.
You were King of the heavens before there was time,
And King of all kings You will be.

We bow down and we crown You the King.
We bow down and we crown You the King.
We bow down and we crown You the King,
King of all kings You will be.

We bow down and we worship You Lord.
We bow down and we worship You Lord.
We bow down and we worship You Lord,
Lord of all lords You will be. You will be.

OFFERING PRAYER

Let us pray together: Eternal God, our time, talents, and treasures are gifts from you. **Receive what we offer, and all that you entrust to us, until hungry no more, all the world is fed; through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord. Amen.**

GREAT THANKSGIVING

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give our thanks and praise.

LITANY
It is our duty and our joy to offer thanks and praise to almighty and merciful God
celebrating the work of God, fulfilling the promise of the resurrection through Jesus Christ, pouring out the fire of the Holy Spirit.

In God, we are people of many nations, but yet one body, many languages but one in faith.
With Mary Magdelene, Peter, and all witnesses of the resurrection, with the earth, sea and stars, and all their creatures, angels and archangels, cherubim and seraphim,

let us give great thanks and praise singing…
Immortal, invisible, God only wise,
In light inaccessible hid from our eyes,
Most blessed, most glorious, the Ancient of days,
Almighty, victorious, thy great name we praise.

WORDS OF INSTITUTION

LORD'S PRAYER
Gathered together by the work of the Holy Spirit, let us pray as Jesus taught us:

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.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
In bread and cup, the reign of Christ is breaking in. Come, receive what Christ has prepared.

COMMUNION DISTRIBUTION
All who believe that our Lord Jesus Christ is truly present in the bread and wine of The Lord's Supper bringing to us the gift of forgiveness and the promise of eternal life, are welcome to gather at the Lord's Table.

COMMUNION SONG ***Beautiful Savior***

Beautiful Savior, King of creation,
Son of God and Son of Man.
Truly I'd love thee, truly I'd serve thee,
Light of my soul, my joy my crown.

Fair are the meadows, fair are the woodlands,
Robed in flowers of blooming spring.
Jesus is fairer, Jesus is purer,
He makes our sorrowing spirit sing.

Fair is the sunshine, fair is the moonlight,
Bright the sparkling stars on high.
Jesus shines brighter, Jesus shines purer,
Than all the angels in the sky.

Beautiful Savior, Lord of the nations,
Son of God and Son of Man.
Glory and honor, praise, adoration,
Now and forevermore be thine.

BLESSING AFTER COMMUNION

Now may the body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in God's grace. **Amen.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Let us pray together: Holy God, we have received your never-ending mercy in this meal. **You continuously seek the lost, bind the injured, and feed your people abundantly. Now send us out, awake to your presence, now and forever. Amen.**

MINISTRY MOMENT

SENDING BLESSING

The holy Trinity, Father, ☩ Son, and Holy Spirit, bless you with wisdom to welcome the reign of God, today and always. **Amen.**

SENDING SONG ***Lord, Reign in Me***

Over all the earth You reign on high,
Ev'ry mountain stream, every sunset sky.
But my one request, Lord, my only aim
Is that You reign in me again.

Lord, reign in me, reign in Your pow'r,
Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour;
You are the Lord of all I am. So won't You reign in me again?

Over ev'ry thought, over ev'ry word,
May my life reflect the beauty of my Lord.
'Cause You mean more to me than any earthly thing.
So won't You reign in me again?

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Over all my dreams, in my darkest hour;
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Won't You reign in me again? Won't You reign in me again?

SENDING WORDS
Go in peace. Encourage one another in the faith.
Thanks be to God, and we will.

POSTLUDE

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