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Growing Peace

Reign of Christ Sunday

November 22, 2026 | 9:00 am

NORMANDALE

LUTHERAN CHURCH

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Today's Worship Leaders

Preacher: Pastor Jim Bear Jacobs

Liturgists: Pastor Rebecca Gamble, Pastor Adam White

Organist: Lorna Wolthoff

Choir: Normandale Choir, Brad Beale, guest conductor, Lorna Wolthoff, accompanist

Instrumental: Normandale Bells, Lorna Wolthoff, director

Cantor: Mark Johns

Crucifer: Travis Mosley

Acolytes: Maxim Komarenko, Oleg Komarenko

Greeters: Mel Henry, Shirley Ramberg

Lector: Ann LaPorte

Sacristan: Emily Steuerwald

Ushers: Kleven & Noble Teams

As a congregation we acknowledge and honor the Wahpekute (Wop-a-kute) people upon whose unceded ancestral homelands we gather for worship this morning, as well as all our Indigenous siblings who have called and continue to call this land their home.

GATHERING

Gathering Music

Normandale Bells

Rejoice, the Lord is King!

arr. Matthew Compton

Words of Welcome

Call to Worship

Normandale Bells

Lead On, O King Eternal!

arr. Lee Afdahl

*Confession and Forgiveness

Blessed be the holy Trinity, one God,
who forgives all our sin,
whose mercy endures forever.
Amen.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

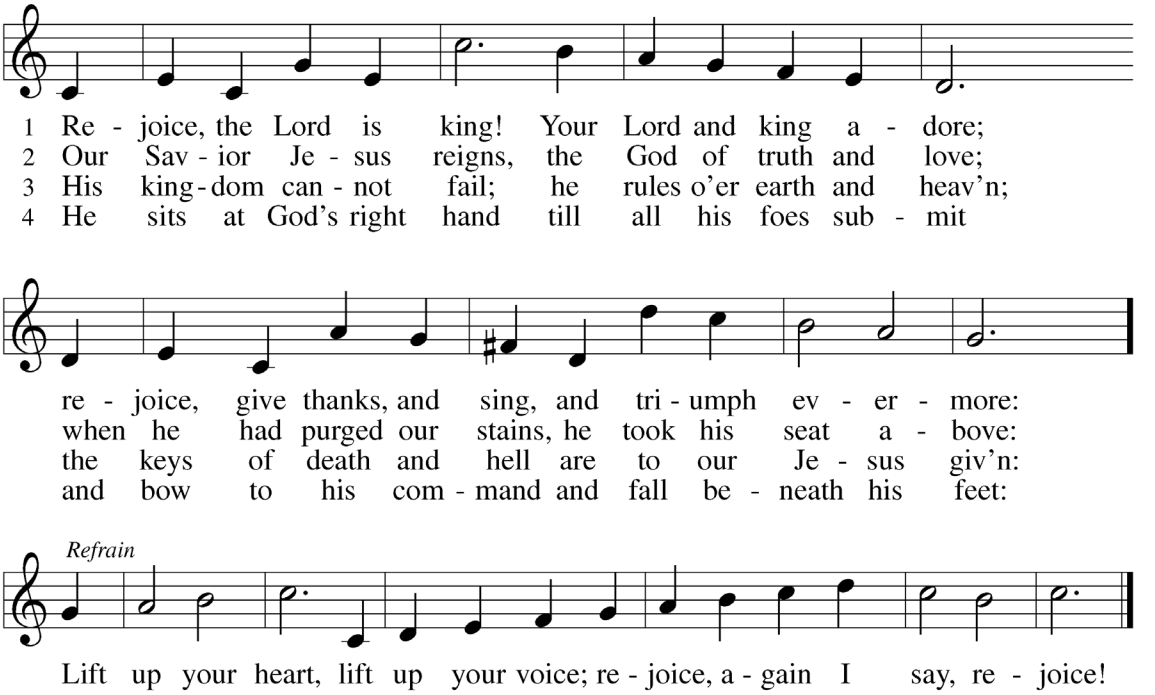
Let us confess our sin in the presence of God and of one another.

Most merciful God,
we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves.
We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us.
Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will
and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.

In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

*Processional Hymn

Rejoice, the Lord is King!



*Greeting

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

And also with you.

*Kyrie

ELW p. 138

*Hymn of Praise ELW p. 139

*Prayer of the Day

Gracious One, you teach us that true worship cannot be separated from love for one another. Reign over our broken relationships. Draw us into your ways of everlasting justice and peace, so that we might bring our lives, our gifts, and our praise to you, in fullness of joy! In the reconciling name of Jesus, we pray. Amen.

WORD

First Reading Ezekiel 34:15-16, 20-24

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

Psalm 95:1-7a

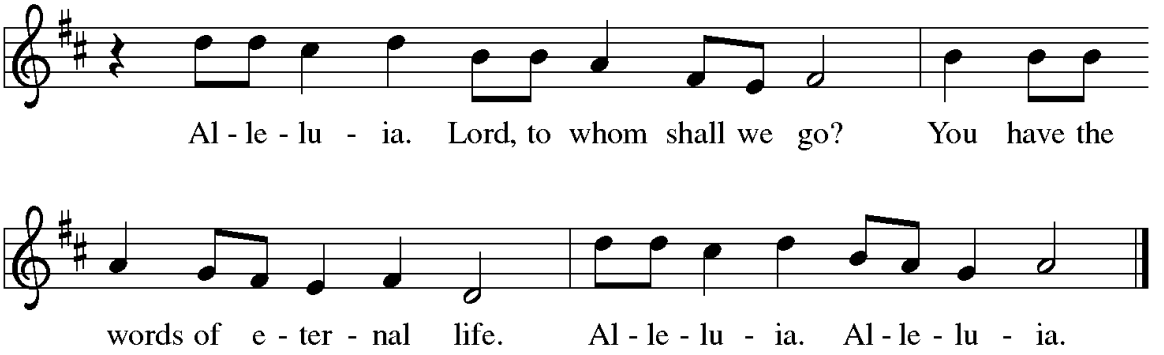
Come, let us sing | to the LORD;
let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.
Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.
For you, LORD, | are a great God,
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.
In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;
the heights of the hills are | also yours.

The sea is yours, | for you made it,
and your hands have molded | the dry land.
Come, let us worship | and bow down,
let us kneel before the | LORD our maker.
For the LORD | is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture and the sheep | of God's hand.

Second Reading — Ephesians 1:15-23

Word of God, Word of Life.
Thanks be to God.

*Gospel Acclamation



*Gospel Reading — Matthew 5:23-24

The Holy Gospel according to Matthew.
Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel is read.

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

Sermon — Pastor Jim Bear Jacobs

*Hymn of the Day ACS 954

You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

*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

After each petition the congregation responds:

Hear our prayer.

*Lord's Prayer



Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name,
your kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven.
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins
as we forgive those
who sin against us.
Save us from the time of trial
and deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom, the power,
and the glory are yours,
now and forever.
Amen.

MEAL

*Sharing the Peace

The peace of Christ is with you always.

And also with you.

Thanks for Your Generosity

Joy of Giving

Offering

Normandale Choir

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing — Daniel Kallman

*Offertory

As the offering is brought forward, children are invited to joyfully being their noisy offering to the front.

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow;
Praise God, all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heav'nly host;
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.
Amen.

GIVE

*Offering Prayer

Blessed are you,
O God, maker of all things.
Through your goodness
you have blessed us with these gifts:
our selves, our time, and our possessions.
Use us, and what we have gathered,
in feeding the world with your love,
through the one who gave himself for us,
Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

SENDING

Announcements

*Blessing

*Sending Hymn ELW 855

Crown Him with Many Crowns

*Dismissal

CONNECT

Go in peace. Serve the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

Sending Music

Rejoice, the Lord is King! arr. Alice Jordan





GENEROSITY CORNER

Today, we celebrate Ingathering Sunday as we bring forward our pledges for 2027. Each pledge is an expression of generosity and a commitment to the ministry we share.

Together, these commitments help us plan responsibly for the coming year, shaping a budget that reflects our priorities and supports the work God calls us to do. From worship and faith formation to caring for one another and serving our neighbors, our generosity touches

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This Week | November 22 - November 29, 2026

Sunday, November 22

9:00am - 10:00am	Worship in Sanctuary. *Guest Preacher Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs*	Sanctuary
10:10am - 11:10am	Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship	Fireside Room
10:10am - 11:10am	The Branches: *Let's Get Real about The Sandwich Generation* with Robyn Frank & Eliesa Johnson of The Sandwich Generation Podcast	Fell. Hall
10:10am - 11:10am	Sunday School	Fishbowl, Rooms 205-213
10:45am - 11:15am	Sunday School Christmas Program Rehearsal	Sanctuary
11:15am - 12:00pm	Worship in Chapel. *Guest Preacher Rev. Jim Bear Jacobs*	Chapel
7:30pm - 8:30pm	St. Louis Park Sunday Night AA Group	Fellowship Hall

Monday, November 23

10:00am - 1:00pm	Lorraine Born: 10am Visitation, 11am Funeral, 12pm Reception	Sanctuary
11:00am - 12:00pm	Memory Café	Studio A

Tuesday, November 24

9:00am - 9:30am	Prayers for Peace	Chapel
10:00am - 12:30pm	Giving Voice Chorus	Rehearsal Room

Wednesday, November 25 - Church Office Closed

12:00pm - 1:00pm	Edina Wednesday Noon Al-Anon	Multi Purpose Room N.
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Wooddale Ave AA Meeting	Studio A

Thursday, November 26 - Thanksgiving Day - Building Closed

Friday, November 27 - Building Closed

Sunday, November 29

9:00am - 10:00am	Worship in Sanctuary	Sanctuary
10:10am - 11:10am	Coffee, Donuts & Fellowship	Fireside Room

10:10am - 11:10am	Sunday School at The Branches: *Intergenerational Art Experience: A Set-up for Advent Practices*	Fellowship Hall
11:15am - 12:00pm	Worship in Chapel	Chapel
7:30pm - 8:30pm	St. Louis Park Sunday Night AA Group	Fellowship Hall