Christ the King Sunday

November 22, 2026 **9:30 AM**

The Congregation Gathers:

Prelude
Welcome and Announcements – *Shellene Smidt*

For Praise:

✞Songs of Praise #560 “For the Beauty of the Earth” (vs. 1 2,3,4)
#559 “Come, Ye Thankful People, Come”
✞Prayer of Confession (read in unison)

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by justice and love. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

✞Words of Assurance
✞Ascription of Praise #623 “Gloria Patri”
✞Passing of the Peace
Ministry in Music – *Video*

For Reflection:

Children’s Message
Old Testament Lesson – 1 Kings 18:20-29 (pages 557-558)
Response Psalm – Psalm 97:1-5 (page 935)
New Testament Lesson – Matthew 16:21-23 (page 1524)
Message: **“Either Or”**
Prayer of Commitment
✞Hymn #505 “Love Lifted Me”

For Response:

Receiving of Tithes and Offerings
✞Offertory Response #625 “Doxology”
✞Presentation of our Gifts to God (read in unison)

Lord God, heavenly King, we offer these our gifts as a sign of love, devotion, and praise. Through these, as through our praises, we acknowledge that you are our Lord. In your name we pray. Amen.

Church Family Ties
Congregational Prayer and *“The Lord’s Prayer”*
✞Benediction
✞Closing Song “Jesus Loves Me”
Postlude

✞*Please stand during these acts of worship.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The scripture and message will be posted on Facebook. You may view the worship service live in the kitchen, the Family Life Center, and the nursery.

Christmas program practice is held during the Sunday School time for children and youth from Preschool-High School. Sunday School classes will resume in January.

December newsletter information is due in the office by 9:00 tomorrow morning.

Kristi Rops will not be in the office on Wednesday this week.

Our Thanksgiving Worship service will be held this Wednesday, Nov 25, at 7:00 PM. The Lord’s Supper will be served. The special offering will be given to Center of Hope.

Volunteers are needed to help decorate the church for Advent on Saturday, November 28, beginning at 9:00 AM. Contact Sandy Zwart with questions.

The youth are holding a Butter Braid fundraiser. Sign-up in the fellowship hall or place an order with a youth member by November 29.

Contact Charish Weeldreyer with special requests for when you serve coffee/cookies in 2027. Let Charish know if you would be willing to serve alone or more frequently so that we can get all the slots filled.

Contact Kristi Rops with special requests for the 2027 greeter/special music coordinator list. Thank you to all who serve in these ways.

Helen Weeldreyer has moved. Her new address is: 4312 W Creekside Circle, Apt 107; Sioux Falls, SD 57106.

Help spread the Christmas spirit. Christmas cards are in the fellowship hall for your use with a list of names available. Please return cards to the basket on the table by December 15 and they will be delivered.

At our annual congregational meeting it was approved to downsize the consistory. Patty Sinning was elected elder and Molly Townsend was elected deacon. The by-laws were changed by a 90% “yes vote” to read that “the number of elders and deacons shall be determined by the consistory.” The budget was approved.

“Words of Hope” devotionals are available by the mailboxes in the fellowship hall or online at **woh.org.** Please share them with others.

Families are invited to join Pastor Guthmiller at First English Lutheran Church in Lennox at 1:00 PM on Sunday, December 6, for a reflection and teaching on the birth of Jesus Christ. Love INC will host several fun activities for children of all ages. Fellowship time will follow.

Go to **www.secondreformed.com** to join our email prayer chain group. Click “services” at the top of the page, scroll down and click the “join” button in the prayer chain section. Contact Jerod Zimmer or Kristi Rops for assistance. **You may also participate in a phone prayer chain group.** Contact Kristi Rops to be added to a phone group.

Contact Jerod Zimmer, Shellene Smidt, or Charish Weeldreyer if you would like to give offerings by automatic bank withdrawals.

Last Sunday we received $3,050 for the general fund ($3,457 needed weekly to meet the general fund budget), $100 for technology, and $100 for missions.

TODAY:

Welcome to Second Reformed Church! We invite all visitors to sign the guest book and to join us for fellowship following worship.

Music: Diana Smit and Judy Schlunsen
Greeters: Paul & Laurie Kruse
Coffee: Brad & Beverly Winterboer and Hank & Judy Sinning

8:55-9:25 AM – Koffee Kiosk (bring your own covered mug)
9:30 AM – Worship Service
10:30 AM – Coffee/Fellowship Time
Christmas Program Practice

THIS WEEK:

Monday – December newsletter information due by 9:00 AM
Tuesday – "Sewing for Others" at 1:00 PM
Wednesday – Thanksgiving Service with the Lord's Supper at 7:00 PM
Friday – Bulletin information due by 9:00 AM

NEXT SUNDAY:

First Sunday of Advent; Koffee Kiosk from 8:55-9:25 AM; Worship Service at 9:30 AM; Music – Helen Groen; Greeters & Special Music Coordinators – Keith & Leanne Lefers; Coffee/Cookie Servers – Jerod & Tonya Zimmer and Al & Roxie Osborn; Christmas program practice for Preschool-High School at 10:30 AM

PRAYERS:

Pray in thankfulness for God's generous provision and goodness.

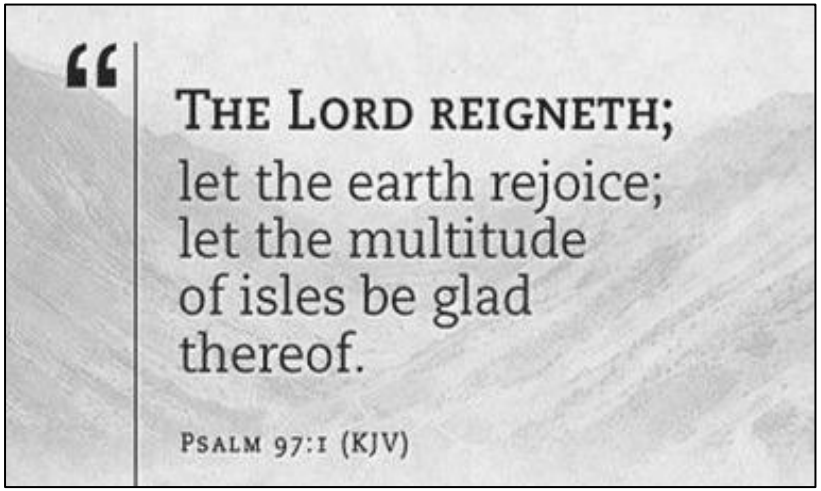
Glorify God

Renew Through Christ's Resurrection

Affirm the Gifts of the Holy Spirit

Commit to Compassion

Evangelize All the Earth



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