### FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### MAY 10 AND 11, 2025

Welcome to Christ The King Lutheran Church. The book of the Revelation does not predict the future, it proclaims an event that will happen in the future, Jesus triumphant return on the Last Day. An amazing fact is we do not wait for this event alone, we are joined by the very church in heaven, called the Church Triumphant. Today's Scripture readings depict this heavenly congregation, as we join them as witnesses to Jesus' resurrection. May God bless our worship today. ... Pastor Jason Cashmer

THE BELLS

THE WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE OPENING PRAYER

THE CALL TO WORSHIP Saturday 5:00 p.m. *I Can't Even Walk (without You Holding My Hand)* 

Praise Band

Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 a.m. Mama, Mama

Cherub Choir

## THE OPENING HYMN

### Easter Song

Hear the bells ringing, They're singing that we can be born again! Hear the bells ringing, they're singing "Christ is risen from the dead!" The angel upon the tombstone said, "He is risen just as He said. Quickly now, go tell His disciples that Jesus Christ is no longer dead!" Joy to the world, He is risen, alleluia! He's risen, alleluia! He's risen, alleluia. *Repeat all* Ending with: Alleluia, alleluia!

## THE INVOCATION

- *P:* In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.
- C: Amen.

## THE CONFESSION OF SIN

- P: Beloved in the Lord! Let us draw near with a true heart and confess our sins unto God our Father, beseeching Him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to grant us forgiveness. Our help is in the name of the Lord,
- C: who made heaven and earth.

- *P:* I said, I will confess my transgressions unto the Lord,
- C: and You forgave the iniquity of my sin.
- *P: O almighty God, merciful Father,*
- C: I, a poor, miserable sinner, confess unto You all my sins and iniquities with which I have ever offended You and justly deserved Your temporal and eternal punishment. But I am heartily sorry for them and sincerely repent of them, and I pray You of Your boundless mercy and for the sake of the holy, innocent, bitter sufferings and death of Your beloved Son, Jesus Christ, to be gracious and merciful to me, a poor, sinful being.

## THE ABSOLUTION

## THE SONG RESPONSE

## He Has Done Great Things

He has done great things, He has done great things Arms open wide, the Lamb crucified, Worthy is He. He has done great things, our God has done great things, Thorns on His brow, grace flowing down, Worthy is He.

Chorus: As high as the heavens above, great is His everlasting love. Rivers of mercy run over us
As far as the east from the west He has removed all our sin. We are forgiven by His blood.
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# THE SCRIPTURE READING

Acts 20:17-35 Revelation 7:9-17 John 10:22-30

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth.

And in Jesus Christ, His 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 into hell. The third day He rose again from the dead. He ascended into heaven and sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty. From thence He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Christian Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

## THE SONG RESPONSE

*Trust in God* Blessed assurance, Jesus is mine. He's been my fourth man in the fire, time after time. Born of His spirit, and washed in His blood, And what He did for me on Calvary is more than enough.

Chorus: I trust in God, my Savior, the One who will never fail, He will never fail. I trust in God, my Savior, the One who will never fail, He will never fail.

Perfect submission, all is at rest. I know the Author of tomorrow has ordered my steps. So, this is my story, and this is my song, I'm praising my risen King and Savior all the day long. *Chorus* 

Bridge: I sought the Lord and He heard, and He answered, I sought the Lord and He heard, and He answered, I sought the Lord and He heard, and He answered, That's why I trust Him, that's why I trust Him. *Repeat, then Chorus* 

# THE OFFERING OF TITHES AND FIRST FRUIT GIVING Musical Offering

To the Table

Praise Band

# THE INTERCESSORY PRAYERS AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

# THE CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

## THE SERMON HYMN

## Death Was Arrested

Alone in my sorrow and dead in my sin, Lost without hope with no place to begin, Your love made a way to let mercy come in, When death was arrested and my life began.

Ash was redeemed, only beauty remains, My orphan heart was given a name, My mourning grew quiet, my feet rose to dance, When death was arrested and my life began. Chorus: Oh, Your grace, so free, washes over me You have made me new, now life begins with You It's Your endless love, pouring down on us You have made us new, now life begins with You

> Released from my chains, I'm a prisoner no more My shame was a ransom He faithfully bore He cancelled my debt and He called me His friend When death was arrested and my life began. *Chorus*

Our Savior displayed on a criminal's cross, Darkness rejoiced as though heaven had lost, But then Jesus arose with our freedom in hand, That's when death was arrested and my life began! That's when death was arrested and my life began! *Chorus* 

Oh, we're free, free, forever we're free, Come join the song of all the redeemed. Yes, we're free, free, forever, amen, When death was arrested and my life began.

### THE SERMON

Pastor Jason Cashmer

### THE BENEDICTION

THE CLOSI	NG SONG	
Saturday 5:0	00 p.m. and Sunday 9:00 a.m.	
Because He Lives		Brown Hymnal #292
God sent His Son they called Him Jesus,		
He ca	me to love, heal, and forgive;	
He liv	ved and died to buy my pardon,	
An ei	npty grave is there to prove my Savior lives.	
Chorus: Be	cause He lives, I can face tomorrow,	
	cause He lives all fear is gone;	
Be	cause I know He holds the future.	
Ar	nd life is worth the living just because He lives.	

And then one day I'll cross the river, I'll fight life's final war with pain; And then as death gives way to victory; I'll see the lights of glory and I'll know He lives. *Chorus*  Sunday 11:00 a.m.

### Lead On, Good Shepherd

Well, I've been turned 'round but I've never been lost. Seen the water get troubled, but we walked across. When my knees were shaking, You held my hand, Turning my problems to a promised land.

Chorus: Lead on, Good Shepherd I'll follow all my days. There ain't nothing sweeter than to watch you make a way. You've walked me through the valley but You never steered me wrong, So, lead on, Good Shepherd, lead on.

Seen some mighty deep canyons that You brought me through, Seen some mighty big mountains that just up and moved. Glory, glory, hallelujah, yeah that's my song, Walking with my Father, into the great unknown. *Chorus* 

Bridge: Step by step, day by day, lead me on, Lord, I pray, Road gets dark, walk by faith, lead on, Good Shepherd. *Repeat, then chorus* 

	Adult Bible Classes	
Saturday 6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Bible Study	West Gallery
Sunday 10:00 a.m.	Fellowship Bible Study	Gym

<u>ATTENDANCE REGISTER</u> – Members and visitors, please be sure to sign the attendance clipboard at the end of your pew and pass it down. Also, don't forget to sign in your children, even if they're in the nursery. Circle your name if you are taking Holy Communion. When the last person signs the book, please pass it back.

Next Weekend at CTK	May 17 and 18, 2025		
Holy Communion at all services			
Rite of Confirmation at 11:00 a.m.			
Preaching:	Pastor PJ Brooks		
Music:			
Saturday 5:00 p.m.	Vocal Duet		
Sunday 9:00 and 11:00 a.m.	Chancel Choir; Brass Ensemble		

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# Acts 20:17-35

<sup>17</sup> Now from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called the elders of the church to come to him. <sup>18</sup> And when they came to him, he said to them:

"You vourselves know how I lived among you the whole time from the first day that I set foot in Asia, <sup>19</sup> serving the Lord with all humility and with tears and with trials that happened to me through the plots of the Jews; <sup>20</sup> how I did not shrink from declaring to you anything that was profitable, and teaching you in public and from house to house, <sup>21</sup> testifying both to Jews and to Greeks of repentance toward God and of faith in our Lord Jesus Christ. <sup>22</sup> And now, behold, I am going to Jerusalem, constrained by the Spirit, not knowing what will happen to me there, <sup>23</sup> except that the Holy Spirit testifies to me in every city that imprisonment and afflictions await me. <sup>24</sup> But I do not account my life of any value nor as precious to myself, if only I may finish my course and the ministry that I received from the Lord Jesus, to testify to the gospel of the grace of God. <sup>25</sup> And now, behold, I know that none of you among whom I have gone about proclaiming the kingdom will see my face again. <sup>26</sup> Therefore I

testify to you this day that I am innocent of the blood of all, <sup>27</sup> for I did not shrink from declaring to you the whole counsel of God. <sup>28</sup> Pay careful attention to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God, which he obtained with his own blood. <sup>29</sup> I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock;

<sup>30</sup> and from among your own selves will arise men speaking twisted things, to draw away the disciples after them.

<sup>31</sup> Therefore be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish every one with tears. <sup>32</sup> And now I commend you to God and to the word of his grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. <sup>33</sup> I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel.

<sup>34</sup> You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities and to those who were with me. <sup>35</sup> In all things I have shown you that by working hard in this way we must help the weak and remember the words of the Lord Jesus, how he himself said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'"

# **Revelation 7:9-17**

<sup>9</sup> After this I looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands. <sup>10</sup> and crying out with a loud voice, "Salvation belongs to our God who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!" <sup>11</sup> And all the angels were standing around the throne and around the elders and the four living creatures, and they fell on their faces before the throne and worshiped God, <sup>12</sup> saying, "Amen! Blessing and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honor and power and might be to our God forever and ever! Amen."

<sup>13</sup> Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, "Who are these, clothed in white robes, and from where have they come?" <sup>14</sup> I said to him, "Sir, you know." And he said to me, "These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb.

<sup>15</sup> "Therefore they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. <sup>16</sup> They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. <sup>17</sup> For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes."

## John 10:22-30

<sup>22</sup> At that time the Feast of Dedication took place at Jerusalem. It was winter, <sup>23</sup> and Jesus was walking in the temple, in the colonnade of Solomon. <sup>24</sup> So the Jews gathered around him and said to him, "How long will you keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly." <sup>25</sup> Jesus answered them, "I told you, and you do not believe. The works that I do in my Father's name bear witness about me, <sup>26</sup> but you do not believe because you are not among my sheep.<sup>27</sup> My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me.<sup>28</sup> I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand.<sup>29</sup> My Father, who has given them to

me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father's hand. <sup>30</sup> I and the Father are one."