

CELEBRATING BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Monica Cordell, (Nov. 25); Amy Thurow, (Nov. 25.); Adeline Backer, (Nov. 27); Steve Marshall, (Nov. 27); Cherie Templeton, (Nov. 27); Lois Hiller, (Nov., 29); Les Ommen, (Nov. 29); Hank Cossairt, (Nov. 30); Matthew Oolman, (Nov. 30); Joe Rottman, (Nov. 30); Mary Baldwin, (Dec. 1). Happy Birthday!

CONTINUOUS COMMUNION will be practiced today due to our construction. Instructions will be given.

ORGAN DEDICATION & CONCERT by Charles Ore will be held on Tuesday, November 27th at 7:00 p.m. Come and help us celebrate our new organ which is a great addition to our worship. Invite someone to come along.

HOLY COMMUNION SERVICES IN DECEMBER

- Sunday, December 2 8:00 a.m.
- Sunday, December 16 8:00 & 10:30 a.m.
- Monday, December 24 5:00 p.m.

LADIES OF THE CHURCH: On Sunday, Dec. 2 the Fellowship Committee will be hosting a Ladies Sunday Brunch & Cookie Exchange. It will be held in Fellowship Hall at noon. We will share our favorite family Christmas traditions & learn different ways to tie scarves, so bring a favorite of yours! If you do not want to participate in the cookie exchange please come anyway for the fellowship.

WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDIES: There are Women's Bible Studies on the second & third Sundays of every month at 9:15 a.m. in the Fellowship Hall. We are studying "Bad Girls of the Bible", by Liz Curtis Higgs. Please feel free to get a cup of coffee & drop in for our study & discussions.

THE MEN’S BREAKFAST GROUP will be meeting this Saturday morning, December 1st at 8:00 a.m. @ east McDonald’s.

SERVICE OF LESSONS & CAROLS for Advent will be held *next* Sunday, December 2nd at the 10:30 a.m. worship service. Come and share in this moving event lead by many of our Trinity members.

LEFSE will be sold at our church on Sunday, December 16. Cost again will be \$7 / Lb. A sign-up sheet is on the pole in the Gruver Room. We will order the lefse around December 6th so sign up for the number of pounds you would like.

SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM will be held at the 10:30 a.m. worship service on Sunday, December 16. We hope that all of our children will be involved and that you will come and support them. Rehearsal dates are being released.

LARAMIE’S COMMUNITY HOLIDAY PROGRAM gathers names of local families in need throughout Albany County from the Department of Family Services, Big Brothers, Head Start, Interfaith, Public Health, SAFE, Senior Housing, Youth Crisis center, Cathedral Home, the Downtown Clinic and School District and creates holiday gift baskets for those families. The *Community Holiday Program* is in need of **small gift cards for teens, Barbie’s, Legos, warm socks, underwear for all and in all sizes, pots and pans, dish sets, baking pans, cars and trucks, diapers of all sizes and baby blankets.** Donations should be taken to the Rendezvous room at the University of Wyoming during the day between Dec. 10-14 or to 715 Shield Street between now and Dec. 14th. For more information, contact Karen Royce, *Community Holiday Program* coordinator at 307-399-8367 or communityholidays@gmail.com

PREPARATION FOR NEXT WEEK: 1st Sunday in Advent: Jeremiah 33:14-16; Psalm 25:1-10; 1 Thessalonians 3:9-13; Luke 21:25-36

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Serving the Church

	<u>TODAY (11/25)</u>	<u>NEXT SUNDAY (12/2)</u>
<i>Lector:</i>	8:00 a.m. Bobbie Schimek	8:00 a.m. Ralph Rohr
	10:30 a.m. Diane Fiedler	10:30 a.m.
<i>Acolyte:</i>	8:00 a.m. Paul Boss	8:00 a.m. Albert Steiner
	10:30 a.m. Gil Hart	10:30 a.m. Philip Henry
<i>Ushers:</i>	8:00 a.m. Bob Middleton Doris Eyestone	8:00 a.m. Al & Bobbie Schimek
	10:30 a.m. Cheryl Wilson Mike Smith	10:30 a.m. Trey & Jason Sherwood
<i>Greeters:</i>	8:00 a.m. Mark Rehwaldt Jennie Lawrence	8:00 a.m. Bob Middleton Doris Eyestone
	10:30 a.m. Carlos & Marion Klinger	10:30 a.m. Ed & Lois Hiller
<i>Nursery:</i>	8:00 a.m. Ashleigh Dockter	8:00 a.m. Lexi Dockter
	10:30 a.m. Ashleigh Dockter	10:30 a.m. Lexi Dockter

Stewards: J. Lyford / T. Sherwood

Altar Guild: Mike Nutter

Coffee Fellowship: Cheryl Wilson

	<u>This Week at Trinity</u>
Sunday, Nov. 25	8:00 a.m. Worship (HC) 9:15 a.m. SS / Coffee Fellowship 10:30 a.m. Worship (HC)
Monday, Nov. 26	7:00 p.m. SHY
Tuesday, Nov. 27	9:00 a.m. Quilters 7:00 p.m. Organ Dedication
Wednesday, Nov. 28	10:00 a.m. Women's Study 6-8 p.m. Weds. Get-Away 7:00 p.m. Chancel Choir 7:00 p.m. Confirmation
Thursday, Nov. 29	7:00 p.m. Seekers
Saturday, Dec. 1	8:00 a.m. Men's Breakfast @ east McDonald's



“Then you are a king?”
JOHN 18:37

WE ARE HAPPY to have you with us today. We hope that our worship service has meaning for you and that you will come back and worship with us again soon. Everyone is invited to receive Holy Communion. If you are unable to approach the communion rail and would like to receive communion, please let one of the ushers know and we will come to you. Grape juice (yellow) is available in the center of each tray. For those who wish, a nursery is provided during the worship service just off the South Lobby area, for children ages 5 and younger.

PRAYER REQUEST CARDS are found in the back of the pew in front of you. If you wish, please fill them out and hand them to the usher during the hymn after the sermon. PEW PADS are found at the inside end of each pew. Please fill them out, pass them down to the end, and then return them to the center.

PLEASE RECYCLE THE BULLETINS: You are encouraged to take home any part of the bulletin that you would like. **Please** recycle the pieces that you do not choose to keep by putting them at either end of the pews at the back of the church. Help us save some trees! Thanks.

Announcements continue on the inside

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth.

To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds;
every eye will see him,
even those who pierced him;
and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail.

So it is to be. Amen.

⁸I am the Alpha and the Omega, says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

***GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?

You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

***GOSPEL READING: John 18:33–37**

Glory to you, O Lord.

In John’s gospel, the story of Jesus and Pilate presents two different ways of exercising power: through force or with love.

³³Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

Praise to you, O Christ.

HYMN: "Christ Is the King!" #662

SERMON: "The King of All Creation" John 18:33-37 Pastor Rohr

HYMN: "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!" #634

***NICENE CREED:**

**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father;
through him all things were made.**

**For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the virgin Mary
and became truly human.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is worshiped and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

***PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION:**

In communion with the saints of every time and place, let us pray for the church, those in need, and all of God's creation.

**A brief silence.*

Holy and Ancient One, by your Spirit give the church vision to be your kingdom on earth, that freed from our sins we testify to your truth in the world. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Since the world began you have nourished creation. Continue to keep all you have made in your redeeming care. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Guide the leaders of nations to govern their people justly and wisely, that your will be done on earth as in heaven. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Grant grace and peace to all who suffer the trials of this world. Lift their oppression and heal their wounds. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Lead us forth from this assembly to make your sovereignty known in faithful service to you and in loving care for one another. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

**Here other intercessions may be offered.*

We give thanks for all the saints who belong to you. Bring us at last to sing a triumphant song with Jesus Christ, firstborn of the dead, and all the company of heaven. Hear us, O God.

Your mercy is great.

Into your hands, gracious God, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy; through Jesus Christ, our Savior.

Amen.

***PEACE:**

The peace of Christ be with you always.

And also with you.

The court sat in judgment,
and the books were opened.

¹³As I watched in the night visions,
I saw one like a human being
coming with the clouds of heaven.
And he came to the Ancient One
and was presented before him.

¹⁴To him was given dominion
and glory and kingship,
that all peoples, nations, and languages
should serve him.
His dominion is an everlasting dominion
that shall not pass away,
and his kingship is one
that shall never be destroyed.

PSALM: Psalm 93

¹The LORD is king, robed in majesty;
the LORD is robed in majesty and ¹armed with strength.
The LORD has made the world so sure that it can- ¹not be moved.
**²Ever since the world began, your throne has ¹been established;
you are from ¹everlasting.**
³The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted ¹up their voice;
the waters have lifted up their ¹pounding waves.
**⁴Mightier than the sound of many waters,
mightier than the breakers ¹of the sea,
mightier is the LORD who ¹dwells on high.**
⁵Your testimonies are ¹very sure,
and holiness befits your house, O LORD,
forever and for- ¹evermore.

**Glory be to the Father and ¹to the Son:
and to the ¹Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now and e- ¹ver shall be:
world without end. ¹Amen.**

SECOND READING: Revelation 1:4b–8

The book of Revelation begins by celebrating the Almighty God, who spans all of time. Similarly, Jesus is celebrated as the firstborn from the dead who rules over the world's rulers. He is the one whose return we eagerly await.



might be to God and the Lamb for - ev - er. A - men.



This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God, for the Lamb who was slain



has be - gun his reign. Al - le - lu - ia. Al - le - lu - ia.

***PRAYER OF THE DAY:** (In unison)

Let us pray.

Almighty and ever-living God, you anointed your beloved Son to be priest and sovereign forever. Grant that all the people of the earth, now divided by the power of sin, may be united by the glorious and gentle rule of Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

CHILDREN'S TIME: "Calendars"

Pastor Rohr

FIRST READING: Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

To the community for whom this passage was written, it seemed as though the oppression they were experiencing would never end. Daniel's message is: It shall end. The Ancient One who is judge will call all nations to account and will give dominion to "one like a human being," the Messiah.

⁹As I watched,
thrones were set in place,
and an Ancient One took his throne,
his clothing was white as snow,
and the hair of his head like pure wool;
his throne was fiery flames,
and its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰A stream of fire issued
and flowed out from his presence.
A thousand thousands served him,
and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him.

***OFFERING PRAYER:**

Let us pray.

Stir us up to offer thee, O Lord, our bodies, our souls, our spirits, in all we love and all we learn, in all we plan and all we do, to offer our labors, our pleasures, our sorrows to thee; to work through them for thy kingdom, to live as those who are not our own, but bought with thy blood, fed with thy body; thine from our birth-hour, thine now, and thine forever and ever.

Amen.

OFFERING:

OFFERTORY:

***CONGREGATIONAL OFFERTORY: "Let the Vineyards . . ."**



Let the vine-yards be fruit-ful, Lord, and fill to the brim our cup of



bless-ing. Gath - er a har - vest from the seeds that were sown, that



we may be fed with the bread of life. Gath - er the hopes and dreams of



all; u - nite them with the prayers we of - fer. Grace our ta - ble



with your pres - ence, and give us a fore - taste of the feast to come.

***PRAYER:**

Let us pray.
Blessed are you, O God, ruler of heaven and earth. Day by day you shower us with blessings. As you have raised us to new life in Christ, give us glad and generous hearts, ready to praise you and to respond to those in need, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

***THE GREAT THANKSGIVING:**

The Lord be with you. And al - so 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.

***HOLY, HOLY, HOLY:**

Ho - ly, ho - ly, ho - ly Lord, Lord God of pow'r and might,

heav'n and earth are full of your glo - ry.

Ho - san - na in the high - est. Bless - ed is he who comes

***HYMN OF PRAISE:**

Refrain
Assisting minister

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

All

1 Wor - thy is Christ, the Lamb who was slain, whose blood set us

free to be peo-ple of God. Pow - er and rich - es and wis - dom and

strength, and hon - or and bless-ing and glo - ry are his.

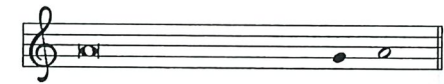
Refrain

This is the feast of vic-to-ry for our God. Al-le - lu - ia.

2 Sing with all the peo - ple of God and join in the

hymn of all cre - a - tion: Bless-ing and hon - or and glo - ry and

*Kyrie



In peace, let us pray to the Lord.



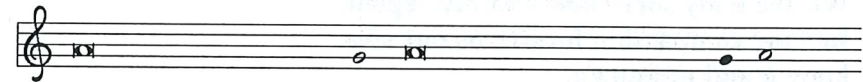
Lord, have mer - cy.



For the peace from a-bove, and for our sal - vation, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



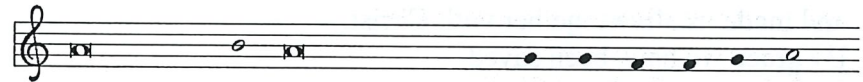
For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the church of God,



and for the unity of all, let us pray to the Lord.



Lord, have mer - cy.



For this holy house, and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise,



let us pray to the Lord. Lord have mer - cy.



Help, save, comfort, and de-fend us, gra-cious Lord. A - men.



in the name of the Lord. Ho - san-na in the high - est.

*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,
forever and ever. Amen.

LAMB OF GOD:



Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have mer-cy on



us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the sin of the world; have



mer-cy on us. Lamb of God, you take a-way the



sin of the world; grant us peace, grant us peace.

DISTRIBUTION:

*POST COMMUNION HYMN:

Now, Lord, you let your ser - vant go in peace: your word has
been ful - filled. My own eyes have seen the sal - va - tion
which you have pre - pared in the sight of ev - 'ry peo - ple:
a light to re - veal you to the na - tions and the glo - ry of your
peo - ple Is - ra - el. Glo - ry to the Fa - ther, and to the Son,
and to the Ho - ly Spir - it, as it was in the be - gin - ning,
is now, and will be for - ev - er. A - men.

*POST COMMUNION PRAYER:

*BLESSING:

PARISH SHARING TIME:

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.
(Silence for reflection)

Gracious God,
have mercy on us.
We confess that we have turned from you
and given ourselves into the power of sin.
We are truly sorry and humbly repent.
In your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things we have done
and things we have failed to do.
Turn us again to you,
and uphold us by your Spirit,
so that we may live and serve you in newness of life
through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.
Amen.

God, who is rich in mercy,
loved us even when we were dead in sin,
and made us alive together with Christ.
By grace we have been saved.
In the name of + Jesus Christ,
our sins are forgiven.
Almighty God strengthen us with power through the Holy Spirit,
that Christ may live in our hearts through faith.
Amen.

*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.

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God's Work . . .
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Sunday, November 25, 2012 - Christ the King Sunday
Holy Communion

*Standing

INTRODUCTION TO THE DAY

Even after Israel had experienced the vagaries of kings, they still longed for a true king to set things right. He would have the king's title of Anointed One (Messiah); he would be the "one like a human being" (Son of Man) given dominion in Daniel's vision. Jesus is given these titles, even though he is nothing like an earthly king. His authority comes from the truth to which he bears witness, and those who recognize the truth voluntarily listen to him. We look forward to the day he is given dominion, knowing his victory will be the nonviolent victory of love.

PRELUDE:

WELCOME:

*HYMN: "Crown Him with Many Crowns"

#855

*CONFESSION AND FORGIVENESS:

In the name of the Father,
and of the + Son,
and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.

*HYMN: "O Christ, What Can It Mean for Us"

#431

*EXTINGUISHING OF CANDLES . . . HYMN CHIME:

*SENDING:

*POSTLUDE:

King with Us

Christmas decorations are appearing, and parties and presents are being prepared. We pause before Advent, before Christmas, between fall and winter, between ordinary time and waiting time.

We are reminded that Christ will come in the form of a baby in a manger. This baby, this Christ, will be our king. He will be the king of things we know and of things we do not recognize or understand or things we cannot see.

Jesus Christ will be the king. Jesus has promised and has given signs, just as others who came before him. How can we know the difference? What makes him different? Christ the King sticks around. Others come and go, staying until times get difficult or they grow uncomfortable. Jesus stays around, through it all. Long after Christmas celebrations are over and we have turned the calendar page to a new year, Jesus is still around. Here to walk to the cross, to die, to go to the grave, to rise again. This king is permanent, ongoing, with us.

Children often are fascinated by royalty (so are adults!). Traditional and modern fairy tales make their way into children's understanding of life. Becoming a princess or growing up to be a knight sounds magical, fascinating, and wonderful. Today we celebrate a different kind of king. This king does not come with swords, shields, and an army. This king does not come to seek a prince for his daughter. This king comes to wage peace, to ease suffering, to challenge those who are comfortable, to comfort those in pain. This is a different kind of king. Welcome the king!

COMMEMORATIONS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, November 25, 2012 - Isaac Watts, hymnwriter, died 1748

Thought by many to be the greatest hymnwriter in the English language, Watts as a youth was critical of the quality of the metrical psalter of the time. He wrote about 600 hymns—many based on the psalms, but others that are not.

Friday, November 30 - Andrew, Apostle

The first of the disciples to be called by Jesus, Andrew quickly began to bring others to the Savior, including Simon Peter. The Bible also shows him leading some Greeks to meet Jesus, and he brought forward the boy with five loaves and two fish, with which Jesus fed thousands.

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