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**Good Morning and Welcome to our visitors:** We hope your worship this morning will be a good experience for you. Many of those sitting around you were in your position once. They walked through the doors of the church and didn't know anyone. They felt a little awkward to be in a new place. Yet, they found a home here and we hope that you will too. If you would like information on how to become a member, if you have questions about worship, or if you are just curious, make sure to speak with Pastor Buch as you leave. If you have any questions please ask a member, or one of the ushers that handed you your worship folder. God's blessings on your week and we hope to see you again soon!!

Little children are welcome in worship. Children are future pastors, teachers and members of God's church. They need to meet Jesus and hear his Word too. **We have reserved the back row of chairs on the organ side of the church for families with small children.** We have a quiet room, located off the narthex, for infants, toddlers and their parents if the children get too active during worship.

*Restrooms are located to the left, as you exit the sanctuary, and down the hallway.  
Please silence phones during the service. Thanks.*

**Willing Hands This Morning:**

Organist: *Computer* Altar Care: *Janene Malzer & Nancy Bucklin*  
Ushers: *Joe Schindler & Noah Longworth* Tellers: *Jim Moldenhauer & Jean Tartaglia*  
Kitchen Helpers: *Roxanne Ochsner & Carol Johnson*

**Suggestions Before Worship:** While we are here on earth, we may have times where we struggle and have difficulties. These are the times that the devil wants us to think that God does not care about us or our problems. On this Christ the King Sunday, we hear the wonderful news that our King does care. He watches over us, he cares for us, he rules over us for our good. He protects us from evil and leads us to what is good. Our King is the best King because he knows exactly what we need. Let us offer prayers of thanks that our Savior is our King and he knows exactly what we need.



Welcome and Opening Prayer

Opening Hymn: 207

The Day Is Surely Drawing Nigh V.1-4

1 The day is surely drawing near When God's Son, the Anointed,  
Shall with great majesty appear As judge of all appointed.  
All mirth and laughter then shall cease When flames on flames will still increase,  
As Scripture truly teaches.

2 A trumpet loud shall then resound And all the earth be shaken.  
Then all who in their graves are found Shall from their sleep awaken  
And with the living in that hour By the Almighty's boundless pow'r  
Be changed at his commanding.

3 A book is opened then to all, A record truly telling  
What each has done, both great and small, When he on earth was dwelling,  
And ev'ry heart be clearly seen, And all be known as they have been  
In thoughts and words and actions.

4 Then woe to those who scorned the Lord And sought but carnal pleasures,  
Who here despised his precious Word And loved their earthly treasures!  
With shame and trembling they will stand And at the judge's stern command  
To Satan be delivered.

*Please rise*

**Invocation**

*The name of the Triune God focuses our hearts and minds on the many things that God has done for us and the proper worship and thanks he deserves.*

M: In the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

C: **Amen.**

**Responsive Reading of Psalm 47**

*This Psalm centers our hearts and minds on the power of our God to save us.*

P: Clap your hands, all you nations;

C: **shout to God with cries of joy.**

P: How awesome is the LORD Most High,  
**C: the great King over all the earth!**

P: God reigns over the nations;  
**C: God is seated on his holy throne.**

P: God has ascended amid shouts of joy,  
C: the LORD amid the sounding of trumpets.

P: Sing praises to God, sing praises;  
**C: sing praises to our King, sing praises.**

P: For God is the King of all the earth;  
**C: sing to him a psalm of praise.**

#### Confession of Sins

*We confess our sins before each other and the Lord. The Bible tells us that repentance (confessing our sins) is one of the marks of a heart that truly believes in what Jesus has done.*

M: Dear friends, let us approach God with a true heart and confess our sins, asking him in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ to forgive us.

**C: Lord of life, I confess that I am by nature dead in sin.  
For faithless worrying and selfish pride,  
For sins of habit and sins of choice,  
For the evil I have done and the good I have failed to do,  
You should cast me away from your presence forever.  
O Lord, I am sorry for my sins. Forgive me, for Jesus' sake.**

*We have a moment of silence for private confession  
of our own personal, specific sins to God.*

#### Absolution of Sins

*The use of the keys is that special power and right which Christ gave to his church on earth: to forgive the sins of penitent sinners. See John 20:21-23.*

M: Christ has died. Christ is risen. Christ will come again. In his great mercy, God made us alive in Christ even when we were dead in our sins. Hear the word of Christ through his called servant: I forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son (+) and of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Amen.**

#### Song of Thanksgiving: (Hymn 207 V. 5,6)

*The Lord has blessed us with earthly gifts and heavenly forgiveness, we thank him for his blessings to us and to many others.*

5 My Savior paid the debt I owe And for my sin was smitten;  
Within the Book of Life I know My name has now been written.  
I will not doubt, for I am free, And Satan cannot threaten me;  
There is no condemnation!

6 O Jesus Christ, do not delay, But hasten our salvation;  
We often tremble on our way In fear and tribulation.  
Your saints are waiting patiently; Come soon, Redeemer; make us free  
From ev'ry evil. Amen.

M: In peace, let us pray to the Lord.  
For the well-being of all people everywhere, that they may receive from you all they need to sustain body and life, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: For the spread of your life-giving gospel throughout the world, that all who are lost in sin may be brought to faith in you, hear our prayer, O Christ.

**C: Christ, have mercy.**

M: For patience and perseverance in this life, that we may not lose the hope of heaven as we await your return, hear our prayer, O Lord.

**C: Lord, have mercy.**

M: Rule and govern our hearts and minds by your Holy Spirit that we may always look forward to the end of this present evil age and to the day of your righteous judgment. Keep us steadfast in true and living faith and present us at last holy and blameless before you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C: Amen.**

*Please be seated.*

### The Word

*Worship focuses on what our Triune God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit has done to save us. We use God's Word as the center of our worship, praise and thanks.*

#### First Lesson: 1 Corinthians 15:20-28

*Jesus resurrection shows his triumph over sin, death and the devil which he gives to us. His earthly work is done, however, he continues to work in heaven. Since his ascension into heaven, Christ our King is ruling over all things until the time when he returns.*

<sup>20</sup> But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead, the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep. <sup>21</sup> For since death came through a man, the resurrection of the dead comes also through a man. <sup>22</sup> For as in Adam all die, so in Christ all will be made alive. <sup>23</sup> But each in his own turn: Christ, the firstfruits; then, when he comes, those who belong to him. <sup>24</sup> Then the end will come, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father after he has destroyed all dominion, authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For he must reign until he has put all his enemies under his feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy to be destroyed is death. <sup>27</sup> For he "has put everything under his feet." Now when it says that "everything" has been put under him, it is clear that this does not include God himself, who put everything under Christ. <sup>28</sup> When he has done this, then the Son himself will be made subject to him who put everything under him, so that God may be all in all.

#### Songs and Prayers for Children

*These songs and prayers are ones that, for many years, parents and grandparents have taught to their children. We take the time to remember the simple truths that are in these songs that we now teach our children. Please help your children to follow along as we sing these songs that provide the Gospel in a simple way.*

#### Give Thanks

Give thanks, with a grateful heart, Give thanks, to the Holy One. Give thanks because he's given Jesus Christ his Son.

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And now, let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich, because of what the Lord has done for us. And now, let the weak say I am strong, let the poor say I am rich, because of what the Lord has done for us. Give thanks. Give thanks. Give Thanks.

P: Let us fold our hands, bow our heads and ask Jesus our loving Savior to hear us as we pray together.

**C: Be near me Lord Jesus, I ask you to stay. Close by me forever and love me I pray. Bless all the dear children in thy tender care, and take us to heaven to live with you there. Amen**

#### I am Trusting You Lord Jesus

1. I am trusting you, Lord Jesus  
Trusting only you,  
Trusting you for full salvation  
Free and true.
2. I am trusting you for pardon;  
At your feet I bow.  
For your grace and tender mercy  
Trusting now.
3. I am trusting you to guide me;  
You alone shall lead,  
Ev'ry day and hour supplying  
All my need.

*Please rise for the reading of the Gospel, the words and works of our Savior, Jesus.*

#### The Gospel: Matthew 27:27-31

*Our King was not like any other king. He did not look like a king or sound like a king, but he defended us like no other king. He was willing to give his life that we would live forever.*

<sup>27</sup> Then the governor's soldiers took Jesus into the Praetorium and gathered the whole company of soldiers around him. <sup>28</sup> They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, <sup>29</sup> and then twisted together a crown of thorns and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand and knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. <sup>30</sup> They spit on him, and took the staff and struck him on the head again and again. <sup>31</sup> After they had mocked him, they took off the robe and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him away to crucify him.

P: Alleluia. I am the Alpha and Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Alleluia. (Revelation 22:13)

C: **Thanks be to you Oh Christ!!**

Sermon Hymn: 341

Crown Him With Many Crowns

1 Crown him with many crowns, The Lamb upon his throne;  
Hark how the heav'nly anthem drowns All music but its own.  
Awake, my soul, and sing Of him who died for thee,  
And hail him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.

2 Crown him the Lord of love—Behold his hands and side,  
Rich wounds, yet visible above, In beauty glorified.  
No angel in the sky Can fully bear that sight,  
But downward bends his wond'ring eye At mysteries so bright.

3 Crown him the Lord of life, Who triumphed o'er the grave  
And rose victorious in the strife For those he came to save.  
His glories now we sing Who died and rose on high,  
Who died eternal life to bring And lives that death may die.

4 Crown him the Lord of heav'n, Enthroned in worlds above;  
Crown him the King to whom is giv'n The wondrous name of Love.  
Crown him with many crowns As thrones before him fall;  
Crown him, ye kings, with many crowns For he is King of all.

Our sermon for this morning is based on Ezekiel 34:11-16, 23, 24

<sup>11</sup> “For this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I myself will search for my sheep and look after them. <sup>12</sup> As a shepherd looks after his scattered flock when he is with them, so will I look after my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places where they were scattered on a day of clouds and darkness. <sup>13</sup> I will bring them out from the nations and gather them from the countries, and I will bring them into their own land. I will pasture them on the mountains of Israel, in the ravines and in all the settlements in the land. <sup>14</sup> I will tend them in a good pasture, and the mountain heights of Israel will be their grazing land. There they will lie down in good grazing land, and there they will feed in a rich pasture on the mountains of Israel. <sup>15</sup> I myself will tend my sheep and have them lie down, declares the Sovereign LORD.

<sup>16</sup> I will search for the lost and bring back the strays. I will bind up the injured and strengthen the weak, but the sleek and the strong I will destroy. I will shepherd the flock with justice.

<sup>23</sup> I will place over them one shepherd, my servant David, and he will tend them; he will tend them and be their shepherd. <sup>24</sup> I the LORD will be their God, and my servant David will be prince among them. I the LORD have spoken.

*Please rise after the sermon is completed. We will sing our response to God's Word this morning using Hymn 219: Lord When Your Glory I Shall See.*

Lord, when your glory I shall see  
And taste your kingdom's pleasure,  
Your blood my royal robe shall be,  
My joy beyond all measure!  
When I appear before your throne,  
Your righteousness shall be my crown;  
With these I need not hide me.  
And there, in garments richly wrought,  
As your own bride I shall be brought  
To stand in joy beside you.

#### Apostles' Creed

*The Apostles' Creed has been used for hundreds of years as a brief, but concise statement of belief. It is called the Apostles' Creed because it is a summary of all the Apostles preached about Jesus.*

C: **I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth.  
I believe 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 is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty. From there 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**

*Please be seated*

### We Bring our Offering of Thanks to the Lord

One of the ways that we thank our Lord is by giving offerings of thanks to support the work of spreading the Gospel here at Summerlin Lutheran and in the world.

If you haven't already, please take a moment to sign the friendship registers.

- If you're a guest –Welcome. Please share your contact information so that we can stay connected.
- If you are a member, please sign your name and share with any guests who might be sitting near you.

*Please rise for prayer*

#### Responsive Prayer:

P: As we see the signs of the end of the age all around us, we cry out to you, Oh Lord, we ask you to hear our prayer

**C: Let your ears be attentive to our cries for mercy.**

P: Heavenly Father, we confess with sorrow that we have sinned against you and deserve your anger and punishment

**C: If you kept a record of our sins, we would surely be lost forever.**

P: We confess with joy that your unfailing love has redeemed us.

**C: Our hope is in you alone for our full freedom from sin.**

P: We see the birth pangs of the last days all around us: violence, wars, famine, earthquakes, false prophets and spiritual apathy

**C: Use these signs to remind us that we do not know the day or hour when Christ will come again.**

P: Keep us faithful to your Word; send your Spirit to strengthen our faith so that we are always prepared for your Son's return to judge the world

**C: Make us faithful in sharing your Word, and cause many more to put their hope in you before the end comes.**

P: Build our fellowship of love as brothers and sisters in faith

**C: Help us support one another when trials and troubles come our way.**

*Special prayers may follow*

P: Hear us Lord as we bring you our private petitions.

P: Heavenly Father, we eagerly wait for Jesus to come again and make all things new. May he find us, whose names are written in the Lamb's book of life, faithfully enduring to the end, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

**C: Come, Lord Jesus. May your grace be with us.**

**C: 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.**

#### The Blessing of the Lord

M: Brothers and sisters, go in peace. Live in harmony with one another. Serve the Lord with gladness.

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face shine on you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look on you with favor and (+) give you peace.



#### Closing Hymn: 727

#### There is a Higher Throne

1 There is a high - er throne than all this  
2 And there we'll find our home, our life be -  
world has known, Where faith - ful ones from ev - 'ry tongue  
fore the throne. We'll hon - or him in per - fect song  
will one day come. Be - fore the Son we'll stand,  
where we be - long. He'll wipe each tear - stained eye

made fault - less through the Lamb; Be - liev - ing  
as thirst and hun - ger die. The Lamb be-

hearts find prom - ised grace; sal - va - tion comes.  
comes our Shep - herd - King; we'll reign with him.

*Refrain*

Hear heav - en's voic - es sing; their thund - rous  
an - them rings. Through em - 'rald courts and sap - phire skies  
their prais - es rise. All glo - ry, wis - dom, pow'r,  
strength, thanks, and hon - or are to God our King who  
reigns on high for - ev - er - more.



We pray that your worship was blessed this morning. Please come again!



**Good morning.** Whether you are family and friends, or first-time guests and visitors it is a pleasure and a privilege to share the message of Jesus resurrection and to celebrate the forgiveness and eternal life that is ours through Jesus. God's blessings to you until we see you again.



Today	11/26	9:00 AM	Worship and WELS Connection Video
		10:15 AM	Bible Study and Sunday School
Tuesday	11/28	9:30 AM	Caring Hands
Wednesday	11/29	10:00 AM	Wed. Morning Bible Study
		1:00 PM	Back to the Basics
Saturday	12/2	9:00 AM	Church Decorating



*If you don't have these dates on your calendar, it's a good time to add them.*

December	9	10:30-1:30	Christmas For Kids
December	24	9:00 AM	Sunday Worship – Children's Service
			<b>No Bible Study and Sunday School</b>
December	24	6:30 PM	Candlelight Service
December	25	10:00 AM	Christmas Day Service

**Willing Hands to Serve the Lord:**



Next Week's Worship:  
Ushers: Cliff Talgo & Larry Wiersum  
Altar: Kelley Buch  
Tellers: Dick and Cathy Yeakel  
Kitchen helpers: Kelley Buch

*Thanks*

**Thanks** to all who donated to the diaper drive for the Pregnancy Counseling Center. Jack and Jean Dove delivered them this past week.

**Thanks** to all who came and enjoyed our Thanksgiving meal on Thursday. The food was wonderful and the fellowship couldn't be beat. We thank God for our Christian family and for the Christian faith that we share.

**Thanks** from June and Carl Danweber for all of the cards and prayers while June was in the hospital. She is now at home. God be praised for his goodness.



**Christmas Decorating** Our Christmas set-up is scheduled for next week Saturday beginning at 9:00 am. We will need many hands to set up the tree and trim the church. If you can stay, we will provide a chili/soup lunch.



**Christmas for Kids** is coming up on December 9<sup>th</sup> from 10 AM to 1:30 PM. We are in need of people who can bake 3 dozen assorted styles of Christmas cookies (cookie cutters provided for you) and people who are willing to help with crafts and activities. If you are willing to help speak with Kelley or Pastor Buch.



*Christmas Party*

**All are invited** for a Christmas get-together at the parsonage on Saturday, December 16 from 3 –6. Bring your favorite snack or finger food with you to pass. We will even gather around the piano and sing some of our Christmas favorites.



**Our Thanks to the Lord:** Last week 65 people came to worship their Savior. God's people brought offerings of \$1883 which was very close to our target budget number for the second week in a row. May we give as freely and thankfully as we have been blessed. To God be the Glory, great things he has done!!!!



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**I WILL SEARCH FOR THE LOST AND BRING BACK  
THE STRAYS. I WILL BIND UP THE INJURED AND  
STRENGTHEN THE WEAK.**

**EZEKIEL 34:16**

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