



FIRST LUTHERAN CHURCH

VANCOUVER, BC | EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CANADA

CHRIST THE KING

NOVEMBER 23, 2025

Prelude: Partita on “Without Jesus I Am Nothing” - Johann Georg Walther

Words of welcome & Announcements

Land Acknowledgement

GATHERING

Confession and Forgiveness

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

Amen.

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

Faithful God,

You have shown us the ways of your heart, yet we stray from your paths. We are stuck in sinful systems of oppression and do not embrace the freedom of your faithful promises. We ignore our neighbors. We exploit the earth. We reject your abundance, trusting our impulses instead of your steadfast love. Repair our relationships, restore what we have broken, renew our hearts, and bring us to new life. Amen.

Hear the good news:

God the Faithful One loves you, in Christ Jesus your sins are forgiven, and by the power of the Holy Spirit you are set free. **Amen.**



Gathering Hymn- Jesus Shall Reign (ELW 434)

Greeting

Kyrie (ELW page 165)

Glory to God (ELW page 167)

Prayer of the Day

O God, our true life, to serve you is freedom, and to know you is unending joy. We worship you, we glorify you, we give thanks to you for your great glory. Abide with us, reign in us, and make this world into a fit habitation for your divine majesty, through Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

Amen.

WORD

First Reading: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Second Reading: Colossians 1:11-20

Gospel Acclamation (Celtic Alleluia ELW 174)

Gospel: Luke 23:33-43

The Holy Gospel according to Luke. **Glory to you O Lord**

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴

[[Then Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”]] And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!” ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, “If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!” ³⁸

There was also an inscription over him, “This is the King of the Jews.”

³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, “Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, “Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?” ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom.” ⁴³ He replied, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”

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

Sermon- Rev. Clifford Reinhardt

Hymn of the Day- Jesus, Remember Me (ELW 616)

Apostles Creed (ELW page 105)

Prayers of Intercession

Peace

Offering Prayer

MEAL

Dialog & Preface

Holy, Holy, Holy (ELW page 173)

Thanksgiving at the Table

Lord's Prayer (ELW page 173)

Lamb of God (ELW page 174)

Invitation to Communion



Communion Hymn- For the Bread Which You Have Broken (ELW 494)
Prayer after Communion

SENDING

Blessing

Sending Hymn- Crown Him with Many Crowns (ELW 855)

Dismissal

Postlude: Grand Jeu - Louis Marchand

Those Serving the Servants Today

Presiding Minister	Rev. Clifford Reinhardt	Livestream Tech	Emmanuel Manu
Minister of Music	Rachel Alflatt	Usher	-
Assisting Minister	Sylvia Harris	Communion Set-Up	Gloria Tymm
Cantor	Heidi Ackermann	Communion Assist.	Aria
Lector	Paul Schmidt	Coffee Hour Hosts	Heidi Ackermann
			Al S