



# ROYAL REDEEMER

AN LCMS CONGREGATION

*March 2, 2025*  
*9:00am Worship*



## Secrets Carried

(Pastor Ben)

*Can you keep a secret?*

Transfiguration - March 2, 2025  
9:00am Order of Worship  
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Prelude / Welcome

873 Christ, Whose Glory Fills the Skies



1 Christ, whose glo - ry fills the skies, Christ, the true and on - ly light,  
2 Dark and cheer - less is the morn Un - ac - com - pa - nied by Thee;  
3 Vis - it then this soul of mine, Pierce the gloom of sin and grief;



Sun of righ - teous - ness, a - rise; Tri - umph o'er the shades of night.  
Joy - less is the day's re - turn Till Thy mer - cy's beams I see,  
Fill me, ra - dian - cy di - vine, Scat - ter all my un - be - lief;



Day - spring from on high, be near; Day - star, in my heart ap - pear.  
Till they in - ward light in - part, Glad my eyes, and warm my heart.  
More and more Thy - self dis - play, Shin - ing to the per - fect day.

Invocation & Confession

**P** In the name of the Father and of the ✠ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

**P** If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us.

**C** But if we confess our sins, God, who is faithful and just, will forgive our sins and cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

**P** Let us then confess our sins to God our Father.

**C** Most merciful God, we confess that we are by nature sinful and unclean. We have sinned against You in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved You with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. We justly deserve Your present and eternal punishment. For the sake of Your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in Your will and walk in Your ways to the glory of Your holy name. Amen.

**P** Almighty God in His mercy has given His Son to die for you and for His sake forgives you all your sins. As a called and ordained servant of Christ, and by His authority, I therefore forgive you all your sins in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

**C** Amen.

Passing of the Peace

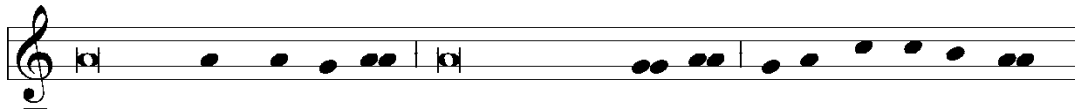
**Kyrie** LSB 168



**A** In peace let us pray to the Lord.



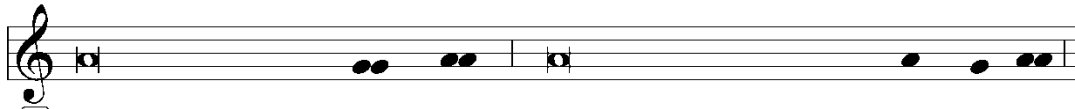
**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



**A** For the peace from a-bove and for our sal-va-tion let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



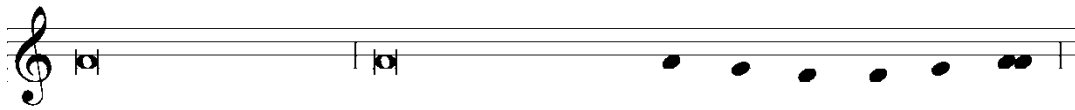
**A** For the peace of the whole world, for the well-being of the Church of God,



and for the uni-ty of all let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



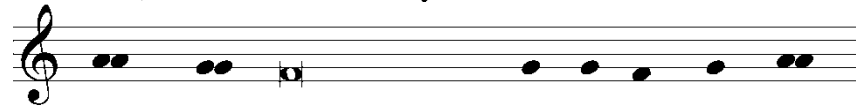
**A** For this holy house and for all who offer here their wor-ship and praise



let us pray to the Lord.



**G** Lord, have mer - cy.



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



**C** A - men.

**This Is the Feast** *LSB 171*



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



**C** 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.



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



lu - ia. 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 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.

### Salutation and Collect of the Day

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Let us pray.

**C** O God, in the glorious transfiguration of Your beloved Son You confirmed the mysteries of the faith by the testimony of Moses and Elijah. In the voice that came from the bright cloud You wonderfully foreshowed our adoption by grace. Mercifully make us co-heirs with the King in His glory and bring us to the fullness of our inheritance in heaven; through the same Jesus Christ, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

*(Please Sit)*

### First Lesson

Deuteronomy 34:1–12

**34** Then Moses climbed Mount Nebo from the plains of Moab to the top of Pisgah, across from Jericho. There the LORD showed him the whole land—from Gilead to Dan, <sup>2</sup> all of Naphtali, the territory of Ephraim and Manasseh, all the land of Judah as far as the Mediterranean Sea, <sup>3</sup> the Negev and the whole region from the Valley of Jericho, the City of Palms, as far as Zoar. <sup>4</sup> Then the LORD said to him, “This is the land I promised on oath to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob when I said, ‘I will give it to your descendants.’ I have let you see it with your eyes, but you will not cross over into it.”

<sup>5</sup> And Moses the servant of the LORD died there in Moab, as the LORD had said. <sup>6</sup> He buried him in Moab, in the valley opposite Beth Peor, but to this day no one knows where his grave is. <sup>7</sup> Moses was a hundred and twenty years old when he died, yet his eyes were not weak nor his strength gone. <sup>8</sup> The Israelites grieved for Moses in the plains of Moab thirty days, until the time of weeping and mourning was over.

<sup>9</sup> Now Joshua son of Nun was filled with the spirit of wisdom because Moses had laid his hands on him. So the Israelites listened to him and did what the LORD had commanded Moses.

<sup>10</sup> Since then, no prophet has risen in Israel like Moses, whom the LORD knew face to face, <sup>11</sup> who did all those signs and wonders the LORD sent him to do in Egypt—to Pharaoh and to all his officials and to his whole land. <sup>12</sup> For no one has ever shown the mighty power or performed the awesome deeds that Moses did in the sight of all Israel.

### Second Lesson

Hebrews 3:1-6

**3** Therefore, holy brothers and sisters, who share in the heavenly calling, fix your thoughts on Jesus, whom we acknowledge as our apostle and high priest. **2** He was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses was faithful in all God's house. **3** Jesus has been found worthy of greater honor than Moses, just as the builder of a house has greater honor than the house itself. **4** For every house is built by someone, but God is the builder of everything. **5** "Moses was faithful as a servant in all God's house," bearing witness to what would be spoken by God in the future. **6** But Christ is faithful as the Son over God's house. And we are his house, if indeed we hold firmly to our confidence and the hope in which we glory.

*(Please Stand)*

### Alleluia and Verse LSB 173



**C** Al - le - lu - ia. Lord, to whom shall we go?  
You have the words of e - ter - nal life. Al - le - lu - ia.

### Holy Gospel

**P** The Holy Gospel, according to St Luke the 9<sup>th</sup> chapter.



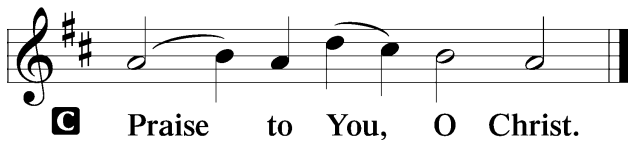
**C** Glo - ry to You, O Lord.

Luke 9:28-36

**28** About eight days after Jesus said this, he took Peter, John and James with him and went up onto a mountain to pray. **29** As he was praying, the appearance of his face changed, and his clothes became as bright as a flash of lightning. **30** Two men, Moses and Elijah, appeared in glorious splendor, talking with Jesus. **31** They spoke about his departure, which he was about to bring to fulfillment at Jerusalem. **32** Peter and his companions were very sleepy, but when they became fully awake, they saw his glory and the two men standing with him. **33** As the men were leaving Jesus, Peter said to him, "Master, it is good for us to be here. Let us put up three shelters—one for you, one for Moses and one for Elijah." (He did not know what he was saying.)

**34** While he was speaking, a cloud appeared and covered them, and they were afraid as they entered the cloud. **35** A voice came from the cloud, saying, "This is my Son, whom I have chosen; listen to him." **36** When the voice had spoken, they found that Jesus was alone. The disciples kept this to themselves and did not tell anyone at that time what they had seen.

**P** This is the Gospel of the Lord.



### Nicene Creed

**C** We believe in one God,  
 the Father Almighty,  
 maker of heaven and earth  
 and of all things visible and invisible.  
 And in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
 the only-begotten Son of God,  
 begotten of His Father before all worlds,  
 God of God, Light of Light,  
 very God of very God,  
 begotten, not made,  
 being of one substance with the Father,  
 by whom all things were made;  
 who for us and for our salvation came down from heaven  
 and was incarnate by the Holy Spirit of the virgin Mary  
 and was made man;  
 and was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate.  
 He suffered and was buried.  
 And the third day He rose again according to the Scriptures  
 and ascended into heaven  
 and sits at the right hand of the Father.  
 And He will come again with glory to judge both the living and  
 the dead, whose kingdom will have no end.  
 And we believe in the Holy Spirit,  
 the Lord and giver of life,  
 who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
 who with the Father and the Son together is worshiped and  
 glorified,  
 who spoke by the prophets.  
 And we believe in one holy Christian and apostolic Church,  
 We acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins,  
 and we look for the resurrection of the dead  
 and the life of the world to come. Amen.

*(Please Sit)*

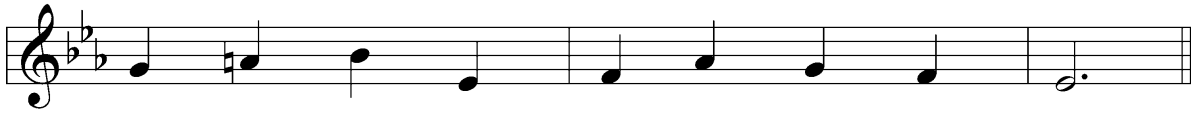
### 414 'Tis Good, Lord, to Be Here



1	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here!	Thy
2	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here,	Thy
3	Ful	- fill	- er	of	the	past	And
4	Be	- fore	we	taste	of	death,	We
5	'Tis	good,	Lord,	to	be	here!	Yet



glo - ry fills the night; Thy face and gar - ments,  
beau - ty to be - hold Where Mo - ses and E -  
hope of things to be, We hail Thy bod - y  
see Thy king - dom come; We long to hold the  
we may not re - main; But since Thou bidst us



like the sun, Shine with un - bor - rowed light.  
li - jah stand, Thy mes - sen - gers of old.  
glo - ri - fied And our re - demp - tion see.  
vi - sion bright And make this hill our home.  
leave the mount, Come with us to the plain.

## Message Secrets Carried

### Offering

#### 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday Welcome Home Collaborative

Thank you for your faithful support of ministry at Royal Redeemer. As a reminder, you may submit your offerings 1) in the collection plate, 2) by mail to the church, 7127 Dutchland Pkwy., Liberty Township, Ohio, 3) by arranging an automatic deposit through your bank account (see the Give page under the Serve section of our website), or 4) via the Church Center. You can find a link on the Worship Live page of our website.

## Announcements

*(Please Stand)*

### Prayer of the Church

Pastor: Let us pray for the whole Church of God in Christ Jesus and for all people according to their needs.

Heavenly Father, in prayer Your Son, Jesus, revealed His glory to Peter, James and John. Grant that we, also gathered in prayer, would see Him by faith and receive from Him the redemption He has accomplished for us. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Almighty God, You bestow honor and favor on all who dwell in Your house and withhold no good thing from them. Give us faith in Your promises, that we who worship You here may come to dwell in Your heavenly house. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Gracious Lord, as You appointed Moses of old to lead Your people, so You sent Your Son, Jesus, to found and lead Your Church. Sustain us from age to age, and grant us teachers of righteousness to guide us in the days to come. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Holy Father, by the blood of Your Christ, He has purified His Bride, the Church. Strengthen her and give her unity of doctrine and piety. Bless this holy house, that those who enter here may do so in faith, reverence and fear of You. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**



Pastor: Lord, all authority is given by You and our times are in Your hands. Give wisdom to our president and those in public office, that they may govern according to Your good will. Bless the work of this congregation to reach the lost of this city. Grant favorable weather and an abundance of the fruits of the earth, and prosper all honorable vocations, businesses and industries. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Most merciful God, as we follow the way of Your apostles into Your presence, You join our prayers to the ceaseless petitions of Your dear Son. Hear us for the sake of the troubled, the sick and the dying [*especially* \_\_\_\_\_]. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: O Lord, we praise You, for we are fearfully and wonderfully made. Give us ears to hear Your voice speaking through Your Word, holy lips to receive Christ's blessed Sacrament with repentance and faith, and holy awe at Your glory granted to us in the Means of Grace. Lord, in Your mercy,

**People: hear our prayer.**

Pastor: Lord God, heavenly Father, we gratefully remember on this day the glorious manifestation of Your Son's divinity on the Mount of Transfiguration. Teach us to listen to Jesus and ever fix our eyes on Him and His innocent suffering and death for our forgiveness. By Your grace and mercy, strengthen us to remain faithful in all circumstances of trial, temptation and persecution. Preserve us to the end, that we may die a blessed death believing in Your beloved Son with whom You are well pleased; through the same Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**All: Amen.**

## **Lord's Prayer**

**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 Communion Liturgy ~ Preface**

**P** The Lord be with you.

**C** And also with you.

**P** Lift up your hearts.

**C** We lift them to the Lord.

**P** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

**C** It is right to give Him thanks and praise.

## Proper Preface & Prayer of Thanksgiving

**P** It is truly good, right, and salutary that we should at all times and in all places give thanks to You, holy Lord, almighty Father, everlasting God, through Jesus Christ, our Lord; For in the mystery of the Word made flesh, You have made known Your love, calling us not only to faith in Christ but also to lives of service in His name. By Your grace, You place us in families, workplaces, and communities, that in our vocations we may bear witness to Your kingdom and serve Christ Himself in our neighbor.

Therefore, gathered in the name and remembrance of Jesus, we pray with repentant joy that You would forgive, renew, and strengthen us with Your Word and Spirit. Grant us faithfully to eat His body and drink His blood, as He bids us do, and gather us from the ends of the earth to celebrate the marriage feast of the Lamb in His kingdom, which has no end. Along with angels and archangels and with all the company of heaven we laud and magnify Your holy name evermore praising You and saying:

### Sanctus



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

### Words of Institution

#### Pax Domini

**P** The peace of the Lord be with you always.

**C** Amen.

Agnus Dei LSB 180



**C** 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.

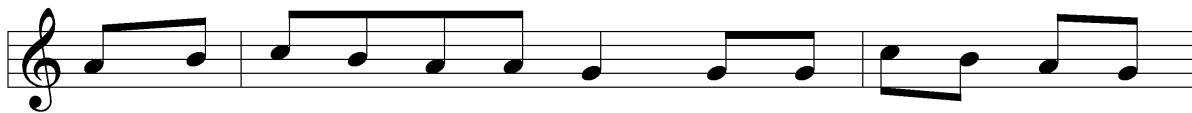
**680 Thine the Amen, Thine the Praise**



1	Thine	the	a - men	Thine	the	praise	Al - le -
2	Thine	the	life e - ter - nal - ly	Thine	the		
3	Thine	the	tru - ly	Thine	the	yes	Thine
4	Thine	the	king - dom	Thine	the	prize	Thine
5	Thine	the	glo - ry in the night	Thine	the		No more



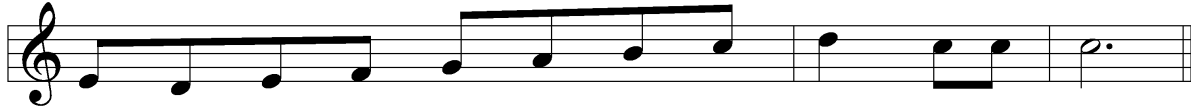
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prom - ise	let	there	Thine	the	vi - sion	Thine
ta - ble	we	the	Thine	the	mer - cy	all
won - der	full	sur - prise	Thine	the	ban - quet	then
dy - ing	on - ly	light	Thine	the	riv - er	Thine
						the
						tree



Thine	the	break - ing	of	the	bread	Thine	the	glo - ry	Thine	the
All	the	earth	on	bend - ed	knee	Gone	the	nail - ing	gone	the
Thine	the	glo - ry	yet	to	be	Then	the	ring - ing	and	the
Then	the	jus - tice	of	Thy	ways	Thine	the	glo - ry	Thine	the
Then	the	Lamb	e - ter - nal - ly	Then	the	ho - ly	ho - ly			



sto - ry Thine the har - vest then the cup Thine the  
 rail - ing Gone the plead - ing gone the cry Gone the  
 sing - ing Then the end of all the war Thine the  
 sto - ry Then the wel - come to the least Then the  
 ho - ly Cel - e - bra - tion ju - bi - lee Thine the



vine-yard then the cup is lift - ed up lift - ed up.  
 sigh - ing gone the dy - ing what was loss lift - ed high.  
 liv - ing Thine the lov - ing ev - er - more ev - er - more.  
 won - der all in - creas - ing at Thy feast at Thy feast.  
 splen - dor Thine the bright - ness on - ly Thee on - ly Thee.

**Post-Communion Canticle**

*Thank the Lord*



**C** Thank the Lord and sing His praise; tell ev-'ry-one what



He has done. Let ev - 'ry-one who seeks the Lord re -



joice and proud - ly bear His name. He re-calls His prom-is-



es and leads His peo - ple forth in joy with shouts of thanks -



giv - ing. Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

**Post-Communion Collect**

**A** Let us pray.

**A** We give thanks to You, almighty God, that You have refreshed us through this salutary gift, and we implore You that of Your mercy You would strengthen us through the same in faith toward You and fervent love toward one another; through Jesus Christ, Your Son, our Lord, who lives and reigns with You and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever.

**C** Amen.

## Benediction

**P** The Lord bless you and keep you.

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

The Lord look upon you with favor and ✠ give you peace.

**C** Amen.

## 417 Alleluia, Song of Gladness



1 Al - le - lu - ia, song of glad - ness, Voice of joy that  
2 Al - le - lu - ia, thou re - sound - est, True Je - ru - sa -  
3 Al - le - lu - ia can - not al - ways Be our song while  
4 There - fore in our hymns we pray Thee, Grant us, bless - ed



can - not die; Al - le - lu - ia is the an - them  
lem and free; Al - le - lu - ia, joy - ful moth - er,  
here be - low; Al - le - lu - ia, our trans - gres - sions  
Trin - i - ty, At the last to keep Thine Eas - ter



Ev - er raised by choirs on high; In the house of  
All thy chil - dren sing with thee, But by Bab - y -  
Make us for a while for - go; For the sol - emn  
With Thy faith - ful saints on high; There to Thee for -



God a - bid - ing Thus they sing e - ter - nal - ly.  
lon's sad wa - ters Mourn - ing ex - iles now are we.  
time is com - ing When our tears for sin must flow.  
ev - er sing - ing Al - le - lu - ia joy - ful - ly.