



# Sunday Morning Worship Celebration

Christ the Priest  
(Peace) |  
Hebrews 4:14-5:6

**December 7, 2025**

Advent 2025:  
Seeking the  
Superior Savior

## Gathering

### Announcements

#### **Candle Lighting & Advent Reading | Peace – Isaiah 11:1-10**

Mary Strickland & Olivia Bellefeuille with Valerie Hunt.

### Prelude

#### Praise

#### **Call to Worship | Romans 13:11-12 & Psalm 130:5-6**

Leader: You know the time, that the hour has come for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed.

People: *I wait for the LORD, my soul waits, and in his word I hope.*

Leader: The night is far gone; the day is at hand. So then let us cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light.

People: *My soul waits for the Lord more than watchmen for the morning, more than watchmen for the morning.*

### The Invocation

*Praise | O Come O Come Emmanuel* [ Dan Kreider ]

### Confession & Assurance

#### **Need of Confession | Isaiah 59:7-8**

Their feet run to evil, and they are swift to shed innocent blood; their thoughts are thoughts of iniquity; desolation and destruction are in their highways. The way of peace they do not know, and there is no justice in their paths; they have made their roads crooked; no one who treads on them knows peace.

#### **Corporate Confession of Sin**

Almighty God of the prophets, you have called us to glorify your name through our love for you and for one another. We confess that our praise is more on our lips than with our lives. We profess repentance while we resist change; We talk of peace while we prepare for war; We sing of love but we curse our enemies; We pray your will be done but insist on our way. Have mercy upon us, tender God, and cleanse and forgive our selfish ways. May Jesus Christ, who came long ago, come once

more into our lives. Help us to be at peace with you, ourselves, and one another as members of your kingdom, which now is at hand. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (Robert E. Webber)

## Personal Confession of Sin

### Assurance of Pardon | Romans 5:1–2

Therefore, since we have been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have also obtained access by faith into this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in hope of the glory of God.

*Gospel Hymn | Before The Throne Of God Above* [ Default Arrangement ]

## Corporate Prayer & Giving

### The Lord's Prayer (unison) / Pastoral 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 the day our daily bread, and forgive us our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory forever, amen.

## Giving of Tithes and Offerings

### Offertory | Children's Singing

First a kid's special song, then "Joy to the World" - Verse 1 and 4 kids only, then whole congregation to sing verse 1 again.

### Doxology

Trinity Hymnal #731

## Hearing of the Word

### Sermon | Hebrews 4:14-5:6

### Affirmation of Faith | WSC Q. 25

*Q. 25 How does Christ execute the office of a priest?*

A. Christ executes the office of a priest, in his once offering himself up as a sacrifice to satisfy divine justice, and reconcile us to God, and in making continual intercession for us.

*Hymn of Response | Sing We The Song Of Emmanuel* [ Matt Boswell ]

## Sending

## Benediction

## Postlude

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