

11-21-21

Processional *Crown Him With Many Crowns* #494

Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne;
Hark! how the heavenly 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.

Crown him the Son of God before the worlds began,
and ye, who tread where he hath trod, crown him the Son
of man; who every grief hath known that wrings the human
breast, and takes and bears them for his own, that all in him
may rest.

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.

Crown him of lords the Lord, who over all doth reign, who
once on earth, the incarnate Word, for ransomed sinners
slain, now lives in realms of light, where saints with angels
sing their songs before him day and night, their God,
Redeemer, King.

Crown him the Lord of heaven, enthroned in worlds above;
Crown him the King, to whom is given 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.

The Collect

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will it is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, the King of kings and Lord of lords: Mercifully grant that the peoples of the earth, divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his most gracious rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever. **Amen.**

The Lessons

A reading from the Book of Daniel *Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14*

As I, Daniel, was watching, thrones were raised up. The ancient one took his seat. His clothes were white like snow; his hair was like a lamb's wool. His throne was made of flame; its wheels were blazing fire. A river of fire flowed out from his presence; thousands upon thousands served him; ten thousand times ten thousand stood ready to serve him. The court sat in session; the scrolls were opened.

As I continued to watch this night vision of mine, I suddenly saw one like a human being coming with the heavenly clouds. He came to the ancient one and was presented before him. Rule, glory, and kingship were given to him; all peoples, nations, and languages will serve him. His rule is an everlasting one — it will never pass away — his kingship is indestructible.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The psalm for this morning is Psalm 93. It can be found in your bulletin and on page 722 in the prayer book. Let us read it responsively.

Psalm 93

The Lord is King; he has put on splendid apparel;

**the Lord has put on his apparel
and girded himself with strength.**

He has made the whole world so sure

that it cannot be moved;

Ever since the world began, your throne has been established;

you are from everlasting.

The waters have lifted up, O Lord, the waters have lifted up their voice;

the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea,

mightier is the Lord who dwells on high.

Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness adorns your house, O Lord,

for ever and for evermore.

A reading from Revelation

Revelation 1:4-8

[From] John, to the seven churches that are in Asia:

Grace and peace to you from the one who is and was and is coming, and from the seven spirits that are before God's throne, and from Jesus Christ — the faithful witness, the

firstborn from among the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To the one who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, who made us a kingdom, priests to his God and Father — to him be glory and power forever and always. Amen. Look, he is coming with the clouds! Every eye will see him, including those who pierced him, and all the tribes of the earth will mourn because of him. This is so. Amen. “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, “the one who is and was and is coming, the Almighty.”

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

Gospel Hymn

1982 Hymnal #343

Shepherd of souls, refresh and bless thy chosen pilgrim flock with manna in the wilderness, with water from the rock. We would not live by bread alone, but by thy word of grace, in strength of which we travel on to our abiding place.

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John
Glory to you, Lord Christ.

John 18:33-37

Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” Pilate 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?” Jesus 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.” Pilate 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.”

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

**Be known to us in breaking bread, and do not then depart;
Savior, abide with us, and spread thy table in our heart.
Lord, sup with us in love divine, thy Body and thy Blood,
that living bread, that heavenly wine, be our immortal food.**

The Prayers of the People *Please stand or kneel or sit as you are able*

For the peace from above, for the loving kindness of God,
and for the salvation of our souls, we pray:

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

You have made your Son King of creation and head of your
holy Church. Purify, preserve, and provide for your Church
through the Holy Spirit and make it a house of prayer for all
people. Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

You have made your Son fairer than the sparkling stars on
high. Let the light of his love bring joy to all Christians who
suffer for naming Jesus as Lord. Help us to remember them
in prayer, to stand with them in witness, and to provide
tangible help for their physical needs.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

You have made your Son our Savior and Lord. Fill the people of this congregation with your Holy Spirit, so that we will shine your forgiveness, life, and salvation to those who are estranged from you.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Bless and guide all the leaders of the world. Teach them how to live at peace with one another; to care for the poor and vulnerable; and to work for the common good.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

You have made your Son our light, joy, and crown. Let his strong saving love accompany those who serve our country, here and abroad. Fill them with honor, courage, and wisdom. Bring them home in safety when their task is done. Heal and strengthen the wounded. Help them all to transition well into civilian life.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

You have made your Son fairer than woodlands, meadows, and flowers of blooming spring. Let his beauty, healing, and compassion cause all sorrowing hearts to sing. Especially this day we pray for the needs of: Downs IV, Holden, Brian and Stan. Grant healing and recovery for Debi, Beverly and Bill. Give peace and strength for those going through cancer treatments, especially Jane, Downs III, Joy, Victoria, Andres, Alex, Colleen, Jack, Connie and Douglas. Visit and comfort all who are under the care of skilled nursing, especially

Timothy and Barbara. Be near to all who are in hospice care especially John.

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

You have made your Son to shine more brightly than the angels of heaven. We thank you for the lives of our faithfully departed. Fill us with such faith and love that, in your good time, we shall join them in singing, "Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of power and might."

Lord, in your mercy, **Hear our prayer.**

Let us pray together for the forgiveness of our sins.

Leader and People

**Have mercy upon us, most merciful Father;
in your compassion forgive us our sins,
known and unknown,
things done and left undone;
and so uphold us by your Spirit
that we may live and serve you in newness of life,
to the honor and glory of your Name;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.**

Offertory Choir Anthem *We Gather Together* Arr. Clough Leighter

We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing. He chastens and hastens His will to make known. The wicked oppressing now cease them from distressing, sing praise to His name, He forgets not His own.

Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining, ordaining,

maintaining His Kingdom divine, so from the beginning the fight we were winning; Thou Lord, wast at our side, the glory be thine.

We all do extol Thee, Thou leader in battle, and pray that Thou still our Defender wilt be. Let Thy congregation escape tribulation; Thy name be ever praised, O Lord make us free.

Recessional *Jesus Shall Reign* #544

1 Jesus shall reign where'er the sun doth his successive journeys run; his kingdom stretch from shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.

2 To him shall endless prayer be made, and praises throng to crown his head; his Name like sweet perfume shall rise with every morning sacrifice.

3 People and realms of every tongue dwell on his love with sweetest song; and infant voices shall proclaim their early blessings on his Name.

4 Blessings abound where'er he reigns: the prisoners leap to lose their chains, the weary find eternal rest, and all who suffer want are blest.

5 Let every creature rise and bring peculiar honors to our King; angels descend with songs again, and earth repeat the loud amen.