

5:30 p.m. – Service of the Word and Sacrament

Order of Service
Saint Michael Lutheran Church
3595 Broadway, Fort Myers, Florida 33901

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Christ the King

November 22, 2025

Prelude

"Meditation on Crown Him with Many Crowns" arr. by Phil Lehenbauer

Welcome, Announcements, & Greetings

Opening Hymn

"O Worship the King"
(verses 1-4)

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Invocation

Pastor: In the name of the Father and of the ☩ Son and of the Holy Spirit.

People: Amen.

Confession & Absolution

Hymn of Praise

"O Worship the King"
(verses 5-6)

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Old Testament Reading

Job 19:23-27 (NIV)

"Oh, that my words were recorded, that they were written on a scroll, that they were inscribed with an iron tool on lead, or engraved in rock forever! I know that my redeemer lives, and that in the end he will stand on the earth. And after my skin has been destroyed, yet in my flesh I will see God; I myself will see him with my own eyes—I, and not another. How my heart yearns within me!"

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Epistle Reading

Colossians 1:1-4, 15-20 (NIV)

Paul, an apostle of Christ Jesus by the will of God, and Timothy our brother, To God's holy people in Colossae, the faithful brothers and sisters in Christ: Grace and peace to you from God our Father. We always thank God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, when we pray for you, because we have heard of your faith in Christ Jesus and of the love you have for all God's people. The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For in him all things were created: things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or powers or rulers or authorities; all things have been created through him and for him. He is before all things, and in him all things hold together. And he is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning and the firstborn from among the dead, so that in everything he might have the supremacy. For God was pleased to have all his fullness dwell in him, and through him to reconcile to himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through his blood, shed on the cross.

Lector: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Please stand for the reading of the Gospel.

Lector: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew, the twenty-fifth chapter.

People: **Glory to You, O Lord.**

Holy Gospel

Matthew 25:31-46 (NIV)

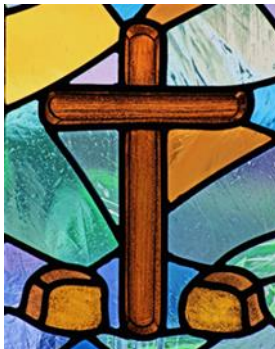
"When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left. "Then the King will say to those on his right, 'Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.' "Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?' "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.' "Then he will say to those on his left, 'Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.' "They also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?' "He will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.' "Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life."

Lector: This is the Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to You, O Christ.**

Hymn of the Evening *"Crown Him with Many Crowns"*
(verses 1-4)

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Sermon

Overflowing with Thanks: Thanks Be to Christ the King

Pastor Roy Peterson

To watch and listen to last week's sermon, visit tinyurl.com/smlcslive.

Sermon Notes

Point to Ponder #1: The King Who Was

Point to Ponder #2: The King Who Is

Point to Ponder #3: The King Who Comes

Apostles' Creed

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Offering

As stewards of God's abundant gifts, we are called to use our time, talents, and treasures to further His kingdom and serve one another in love. "Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver." 2 Corinthians 9:7

Let us continue to grow in faith and generosity, trusting that God will provide for all our needs as we faithfully serve Him.

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Ministry Moment

*Upcoming Christmas Events
(with Katy Bass)*

Prayers and The Lord's Prayer

Holy Communion

Distribution Hymns

"There Is a Higher Throne"

by Keith and Kristyn Getty

"Lord, Whose Love through Humble Service"

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Blessing

Closing Hymn

"Crown Him (Majesty)"

*by G. Elvey, C. Tomlin, M. Maher,
E. Cash, M. Bridges, and G. Thring*

Postlude

