



ANTHEM

“A Harvest of Thanksgiving”

*Aldersgate Choir*

Lord of the Harvest and Bringer of Light,  
You are the Maker of all that is right.  
You fill our lives with abundance and love,  
sharing every bright gift from Your glory above.

Lord of the Harvest, so faithful and true,  
let us give honor and worship to You.

You are the Giver of all that is fair,  
so we give our thanks in the way that we share.

We gather together to raise our thanksgiving,  
with songs of the Spirit and anthems of praise.

With each declaration, with every oblation,  
our hearts will be grateful for now, now and always!

Lord of the Harvest, Creator and Friend,  
we stand amazed at Your love without end!  
Now, in this moment and here in this place,  
we celebrate harvest as children of grace,  
as we gather together, giving thanks and praise.

CHILDREN’S SERMON

*Beth Bauman*

SCRIPTURE READING

John 18:33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” <sup>34</sup> Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” <sup>35</sup> 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?” <sup>36</sup> 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.” <sup>37</sup> 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.”

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

SERMON

“Christ the King”

*Jae Cho*

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH 881: The Apostles’ Creed

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth;**

**And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**

\*GLORIA 71

**Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost;  
as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be,  
world without end. Amen. Amen.**

OFFERING OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY SONG "O Gott, Du Frommer Gott!" (O God, Thou Faithful God)

BWV767 Partita IX (J. S. Bach)

*Juliet Cho*

\*DOXOLOGY 95 "Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow"

**Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below;  
praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

\*OFFERTORY PRAYER

PASTORAL PRAYER

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of Grace, we feel threatened by forces that seem greater than ourselves.  
As Pontius Pilate taunted Jesus, daring him to spar over earthly power, we are  
tempted to lower ourselves to compete and compare with one another. Forgive us  
when we forget that we belong, above all, to your way and your truth. When we feel  
inclined to fight or flee, let us instead seek refuge in your wisdom and your grace.  
Guide us not to react badly, but to respond faithfully. Inspire us to answer insult with  
creative acts of love. Let us trust not in our own power, but in the strength of your  
love, which reigns in the heavens and on the earth forevermore. Amen.**

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

"I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord, the one who loves you and frees you  
from your sin. In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven! Amen.

\*CLOSING HYMN 166 "All Praise to Thee, for Thou, O King Divine"

**1. All praise to thee, for thou, O King  
divine, didst yield the glory that of  
right was thine, that in our darkened  
hearts thy grace might shine:**

*(Refrain)* Alleluia! Alleluia!

**2. Thou cam'st to us, in lowliness of  
thoughts; by thee the outcast and the  
poor were sought, and by thy death  
was God's salvation wrought: *(Refrain)***

**3. Let this mind be in us which was in  
thee, who wast a servant, that we**

**might be free, humbling thyself to  
death on Calvary: *(Refrain)***

**4. Wherefore, by God's eternal  
purpose, thou art high exalted o'er all  
creatures now, and given the name to  
which all knees shall bow: *(Refrain)***

**5. Let every tongue confess with one  
accord in heaven and earth that Jesus  
Christ is Lord; and God the Father be  
by all adored: *(Refrain)***

\*BENEDICTION

\*POSTLUDE "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" (Arr. Joshua Evanovich)

*Juliet Cho*