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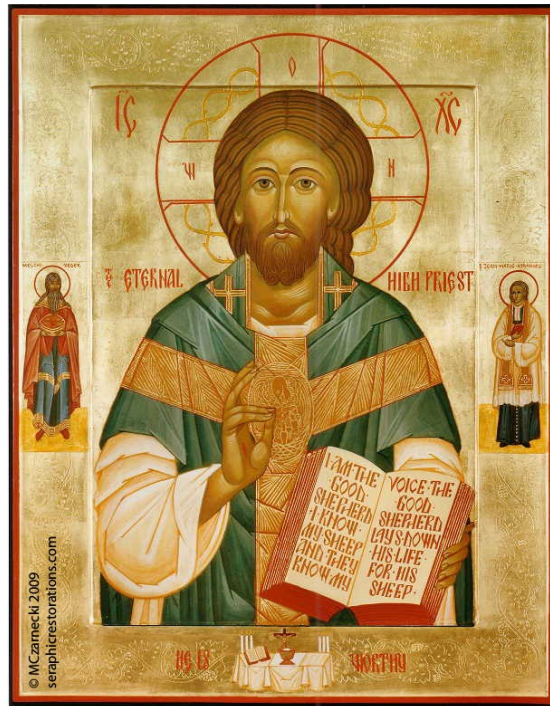
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# Weekly Worship

love all • live spiritually • rejoice in hope • show hospitality

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## Community Prayer

Almighty God, creator of heaven and earth in whom all things are possible, have mercy on us and heal us, that sustained by the power of your word and by the constant intercession of our Lord and Savior, we may draw near to you and follow in your way as faithful disciples. Amen.

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## Call to Worship

One: With our lips and with our hearts:

Many: we will bless God in every moment of our lives.

One: With every gift and with our hearts:

Many: we will serve God and all of God's children, with every moment of our lives.

# Sermon

From The Rev. Kara Hillhouse

*Holy, Holy, Holy*

In our text this week we turn to the book of Hebrews, which sounds like it should be a part of the Old Testament, but is actually very much rooted in the New Testament. That's because it's all about Jesus; Jesus as the "heavenly" High Priest, who made the true sacrifice for the sins of the people, even as he was flesh and blood just like those he makes holy. Hebrews 3:1-6 says, "*Therefore, brothers and sisters, holy partners in a heavenly calling, consider that Jesus, the apostle and high priest of our confession, was faithful to the one who appointed him, just as Moses also "was faithful in all God's house." Yet Jesus is worthy of more glory than Moses, just as the builder of a house has more honour than the house itself. (For every house is built by someone, but the builder of all things is God).*" If Jesus truly is the heavenly High Priest - if Jesus truly sacrificed himself for the sake of our sins, that we might be made whole and right in God's eyes - well, then...how will we respond to this truth and promise and hope? Our response to that question will only come out of an *intentional* choice of how we want to move forward. Join us for worship Sunday, for a time of reflection, prayer, music and communion. Rejuvenate your soul and fill your cup as we prepare for a coming week. We'll see you at First!



# Scripture Readings

## Psalm 34:11-22

Come, O children, listen to me; I will teach you the fear of the Lord. Which of you desires life, and covets many days to enjoy good? Keep your tongue from evil, and your lips from speaking deceit. Depart from evil, and do good; seek peace, and pursue it. The eyes of the Lord are on the righteous, and his ears are open to their cry. The face of the Lord is against evildoers, to cut off the remembrance of them from the earth. When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears, and rescues them from all their troubles. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted, and saves the crushed in spirit. Many are the afflictions of the righteous, but the Lord rescues them from them all. He keeps all their bones; not one of them will be broken. Evil brings death to the wicked, and those who hate the righteous will be condemned. The Lord redeems the life of his servants; none of those who take refuge in him will be condemned.

## Hebrews 7:23-28

Furthermore, the former priests were many in number, because they were prevented by death from continuing in office; but he holds his priesthood permanently, because he continues forever. Consequently, he is able for all time to save those who approach God through him, since he always lives to make intercession for them. For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, undefiled, separated from sinners, and exalted above the heavens. Unlike the other high priests, he has no need to offer sacrifices day after day, first for his own sins, and then for those of the people; this he did once for all when he offered himself. For the law appoints as high priests those, who are subject to weakness, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect forever.



# Prayers & Praises

## October 27, 2024



## Song of the week

### You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave. You, peacemaker and swordbringer of the way you took and gave. You, the everlasting instant; you, whom we both scorn and crave.

Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross, shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss, you, the everlasting instant; you who are both gift and cost.

You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side. You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide. You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our pilgrim guide.

Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ! Worthy your defeat and victory; worthy still your peace and strife. You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our death and life.



### In Our Church Family:

- Donna Baker
- Rhonda Ball
- Bobbi Carlin
- Mike Carlin
- Jim Christ
- Joan Dietrich
- Wayne Duncan
- Ron Hile
- Phyllis Knosp
- Polly Putney
- Rae-Hope Putney
- Marvin Thurber
- Phyllis Thurber
- Jessica Vocasek
- Roger Vocasek

*Prayers for Roger Vocasek.* He dislocated his shoulder and has to wait to see an orthopedic surgeon.

### Friends:

- Allen Watsek, brother of *Gwen Belden is being treated for cancer.*
- John Burkhardt, husband of *Cecilia Burkhardt has started speech therapy.*
- Tammy Foral, *healing, patience and strength as facing many health issues. Co-worker of Sara Lugn.*
- Cedric Gibb, *healing prayers, friend of Cec Burkhardt.*

### Our Timothy:

- Rev. Bruce Frogge, *Cypress Creek CC in Spring, TX*

**In the Nebraska Region:** Weeping Water First Christian Church - Pulpit Supply

### Our Global Ministries Missionaries: Japan

*"Dear God, thank you for the opportunities we have to encounter you along our journeys. We give thanks for the opportunities that participants in the Asian Rural Institute have to travel throughout Japan to learn from other farmers and communities during their year of training."*

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