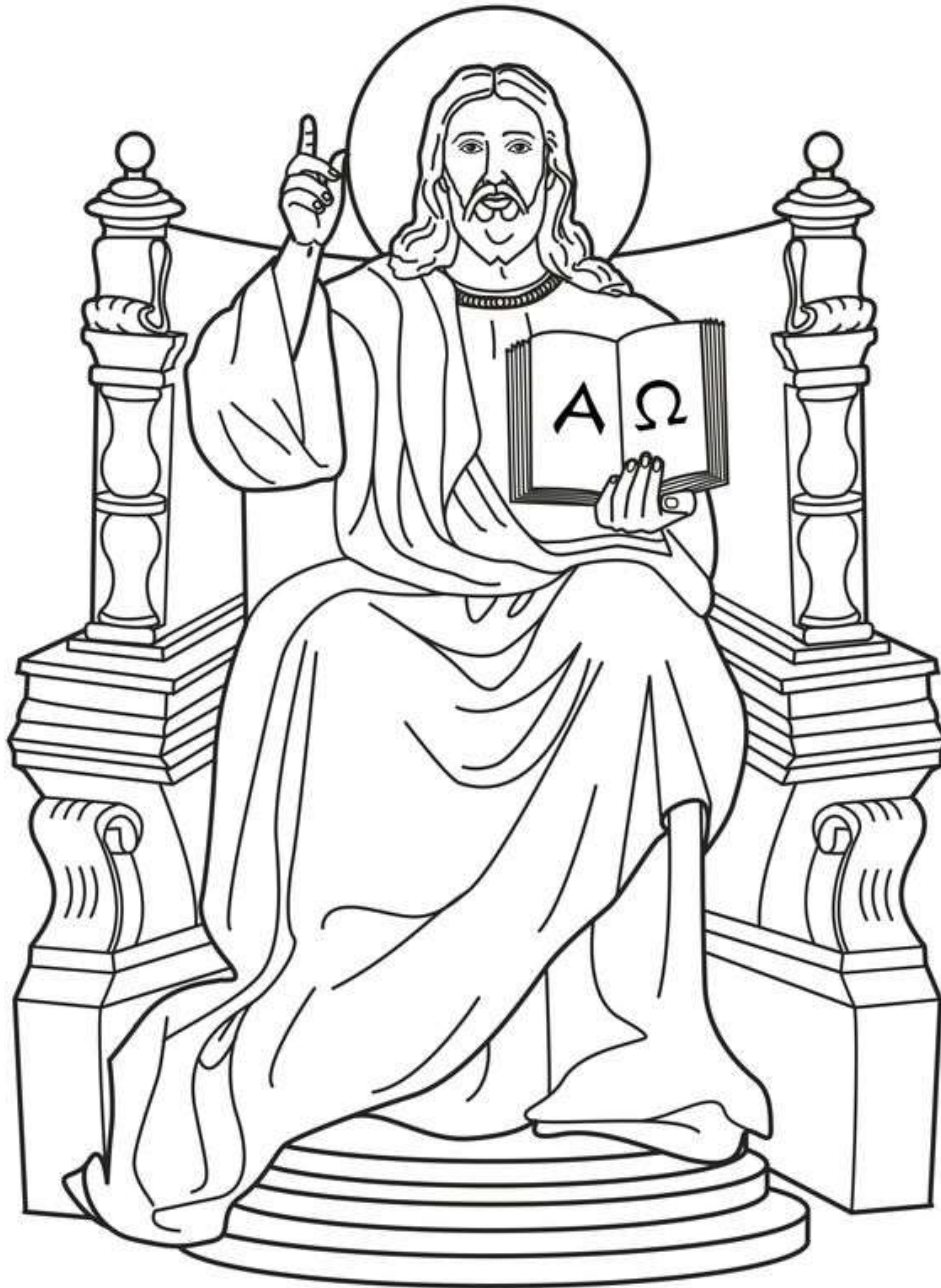


St. James Episcopal Church
A Moment for Kids—of All Ages!
NOVEMBER 20, 2016—THE LAST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY



This is a picture of Jesus on a throne. He is holding a tablet with two Greek letters – *alpha* and *omega*. These are the first a last letters of the Greek alphabet—meaning that Jesus is the beginning and end of all—he is eternal.

Today is the last Sunday after Pentecost. On this final Sunday of our church year we celebrate that Jesus is the King—of heaven and of our lives today. Jesus is our King and he gives us love and forgiveness no matter what. We give all the best we have back to him.

BRINGING THE GOSPEL HOME: THOUGHTS FOR PARENTS

The Gospel reading today—Christ the King Sunday—is about the crucifixion. Jesus is hanging on the cross between two criminals. That, at first glance, doesn't seem very royal or king-like. However, we should look at what Jesus does. He assures the man dying next to him that he was going to heaven—to a wonderful paradise. That is what Jesus' kingship means—it's not about Jesus compiling power for himself, but it about him gaining salvation, love and forgiveness for us.

We acknowledge that Christ is our King. Are these just words that we sing in a hymn, or say in a prayer? Or do we see this kingship in our everyday lives? What does that mean for us? Talk with your children about how Jesus changes your life. What do you do differently because you have the love of Jesus in your life?

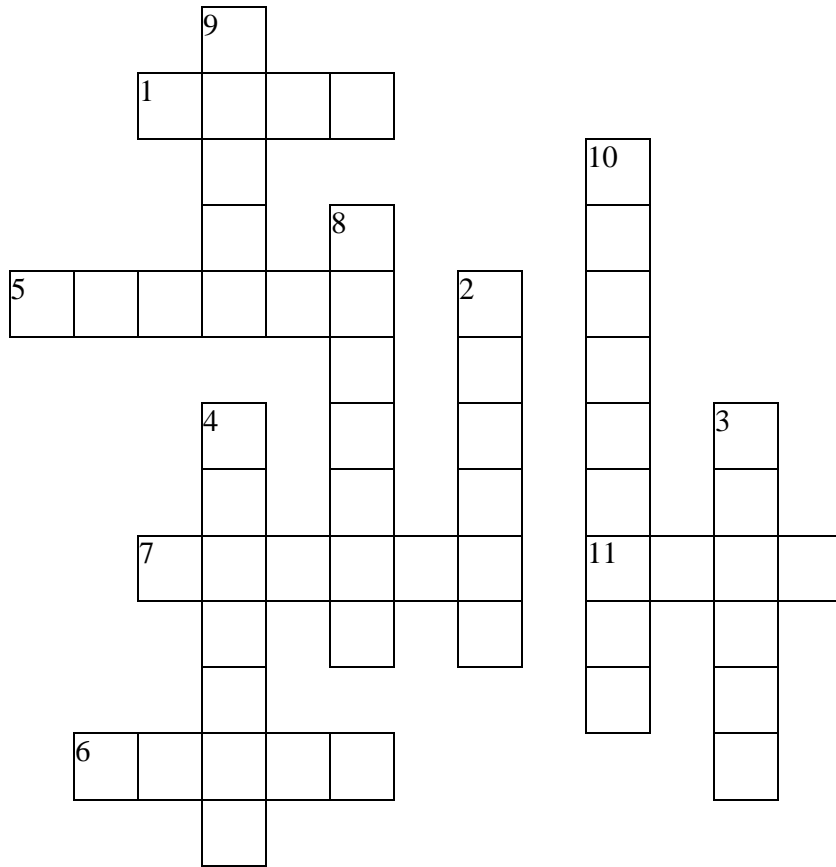
Christ the King Crossword Puzzle

Across

- 1 A ruler
- 5 The first season of the Church Year
- 6 A royal headpiece
- 7 God's messengers
- 11 Jesus' Mother

Down

- 2 A name for Jesus
- 3 A royal chair
- 4 A country ruled by royalty
- 8 Our Parish
- 9 The "Good Book"
- 10 When Jesus was born



King, Advent, Crown, Angels, Mary, Christ,
Throne, Kingdom, Stames, Bible, Christmas

Dinner Table Conversations:

What kind of rulers do we have? Are they all good people? Do they all work for others?

How is Jesus our King? Jesus always thinks about what is good for us.

How do you know that Jesus wants good things for you?

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