## November 21, 2021

# Christ the King Sunday

<u>Prelude</u> Pavane Ravel

Adagio cantabile from Sonata Pathetique Beethoven

#### **VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION**

**OPENING SENTENCES**Ps. 118:1; Col. 1:17-18; Rev. 1:6-7

Give thanks to the Lord, for God is good.

God's steadfast love endures forever.

In Christ all things hold together;

he is head of the church and Lord of all.

Jesus Christ is coming to reign.

To God be glory forever and ever!

Let us worship God!

<u>CHORAL INTROIT</u> "Thanksgiving Joy!" Martin

PRAYER OF THE DAY

+HYMN #92 "Crown Him with Many Crowns" DIADEMATA

Call to Confession Col. 1:20

## **PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Righteous God,

you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him, and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love.

In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

#### SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Col. 1:13-14

... In the name of Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

Thanks be to God! Amen.

HYMN #263 "Alleluia, Sing to Jesus" HYFRYDOL

#### **PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION**

... Let your will be done,

on earth as in heaven.

#### **LITANY FOR THE REIGN OF CHRIST**

Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice! Christ will reign forever and ever.

The Lord is robed in majesty and girded in strength.

Christ will reign forever and ever.

God has established the world, and God's realm will never be shaken. Christ will reign forever and ever.

God will judge the world with righteousness and the peoples with equity.

Christ will reign forever and ever.

The kingdom of this world has become the kingdom of our Lord. Christ will reign forever and ever.

### **PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING**

<u>THE LORD'S PRAYER</u> (in pew racks)

Invitation to Offering Mic. 6:8

**OFFERTORY** America the Beautiful Ward

+Response #809 Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

+AFFIRMATION OF FAITH from The Theological Declaration of Barmen Jesus Christ, as he is attested for us in Holy Scripture, is the one Word of God which we have to hear and which we have to trust and obey in life and in death. As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures.

#### PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON 2 Samuel 23:1-7

PSalm 132:1-12

LORD, remember David, and all the hardships he endured;

how he swore an oath to the LORD and vowed a vow to the Mighty One of Jacob:

"I will not come under the roof of my house, nor climb up into my bed; I will not allow my eyes to sleep,

nor let my eyelids slumber; until I find a place for the LORD, a dwelling for the Mighty One of Jacob."

"The ark! We heard it was in Ephrathah; we found it in the fields of Ja'ar.

Let us go to God's dwelling place;

let us fall upon our knees before God's footstool."

Arise, O LORD, into your resting-place, you and the ark of your strength.

Let your priests be clothed with righteousness;

let your faithful people sing with joy.

For your servant David's sake, do not turn away the face of your anointed.

The LORD has sworn an oath to David,

and in truth, will not break it:

"A son, the fruit of your body, will I set upon your throne.

If your children keep my covenant

and my testimonies that I shall teach them,

their children will sit upon your throne forevermore."

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Revelation 1:4b-8

Gospel Lesson John 18:33-37

**RESPONSE** 2 Sam. 23:3, 5

God our Sovereign has spoken;

the promise of the Lord endures forever.

Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "Fairest Lord Jesus" CRUSADER'S HYMN

**SERMON** "The Ruler of the Kings of the Earth" Rev. Bill Pinches

+**Hymn #95** *"All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name"* CORONATION

+**BLESSING** John 16:12-15

... be with you all.

Amen.

+CHARGE Mic. 6:8

... and to walk humbly with your God.

Thanks be to God.

<u>CHORAL BENEDICTION</u> "Threefold Amen" Danish

**POSTLUDE** Theme from Haydn Variations Brahms

Join us for fellowship after worship in the Memorial Room.

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+ Those who are able may stand. 1

## **SERVING US TODAY**

Liturgist: Ginnie Gibson
Greeters: Ginnie Gibson and Will Ozee
Sound: Marty Subject
Livestream: Tami Chapman
Today's flowers are given by
Mary Garland Jackson and Rex Hauser
in memory of Lois Johnson,
Eleanor Hauser, and Mary Jackson

### **THE STUDY CATECHISM**

# Question 17. What does our creation in God's image reflect about God's reality?

Our being created in and for relationship is a reflection of the Holy Trinity. In the mystery of the one God, the three divine persons — Father, Son and Holy Spirit — live in, with and for one another eternally in perfect love and freedom.

# Question 18. What does our creation in God's image reflect about God's love for us?

We are created to live wholeheartedly for God. When we honor our Creator as the source of all good things, we are like mirrors reflecting back the great beam of love that God shines on us. We are also created to honor God by showing love toward other human beings.

#### A PRAYER FOR MEALTIME

Gracious God, we give you thanks for all the good things you give us. May we enjoy and share them with others; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

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#### **WORSHIP**

10:00 am on Sundays

### **DAILY PRAYER**

search for "Daily Prayer (Presbyterian Book of Common Worship)" in your podcast app, or go to www.buzzsprout.com/1466482

#### **EVENTS THIS WEEK**

TuesdayJesus In Me Study2:00 pmWednesdayPrayer Fellowship12:00 pm

No Wonderful Wednesday this week No Bell Choir Rehearsal this week No Choir Rehearsal this week

**Thursday** Happy Thanksgiving! / Church Office closed Friday Church Office closed / Pastor's sabbath

#### **BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK**

Laurie McGonigal Nov. 21
Bob Caltrider Nov. 23
Lloyd Fett Nov. 26

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Jesus Christ, King of Kings and High Priest Greece, c. 1600

The Lord bless you and keep you; the Lord make his face to shine upon you, and be gracious to you; the Lord lift up his countenance upon you, and give you peace. Numbers 6:24-26