

November 24, 2024
Christ the King / Reign of Christ

PRELUDE "O for a Thousand Tongues" Wesley / Gläzer

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

TWO-CENTS-A-MEAL HUNGER OFFERING

OPENING SENTENCES

God established the world from of old. *Dan. 7:14; Ps. 93:1, 2;*
God's reign shall never end. *Rev. 1:5, 6*
God delivered us in freedom and truth.
God's love is everlasting.
Let us worship God!

PRAYER OF THE DAY

+**HYMN: GTG #265** "Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun" DUKE STREET

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God,
how often we trust in the promises of earthly rulers
instead of the power of your love;
help us to turn our hearts toward you.
Restore us in your love, and set us free
to forgive as we have been forgiven,
by the grace and mercy of Christ. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS

... therefore be at peace. **Thanks be to God! Amen.**

HYMN: GTG #227 "Jesus, Remember Me" REMEMBER ME
(Sing three times)

PRAYERS OF INTERCESSION

... O Christ, our King, **hear our prayer.**

THE LORD'S PRAYER

Children and youth are dismissed to Sunday School

MESSAGE FROM THE DEACONS Tom Seely

INVITATION TO OFFERING

OFFERTORY "Now Thankful People, Come" art. Rogers
Sanctuary Bells

+**RESPONSE: GTG #606** OLD HUNDREDTH
"Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow"

+**PRAYER OF DEDICATION**

+**AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** from A Brief Statement of Faith
(United States, 1991)

We trust in God,
whom Jesus called Abba, Father.
In sovereign love God created the world good
and makes everyone equally in God's image,
male and female, of every race and people,
to live as one community.
But we rebel against God; we hide from our Creator.
Ignoring God's commandments,
we violate the image of God in others and ourselves,
accept lies as truth,
exploit neighbor and nature,
and threaten death to the planet entrusted to our care.
We deserve God's condemnation.
Yet God acts with justice and mercy to redeem creation.
In everlasting love,
the God of Abraham and Sarah chose a covenant people
to bless all families of the earth.
Hearing their cry,
God delivered the children of Israel
from the house of bondage.
Loving us still,
God makes us heirs with Christ of the covenant.
Like a mother who will not forsake her nursing child,
like a father who runs to welcome the prodigal home,
God is faithful still.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14 O.T. page 636
The coming one rules over all

PSALM Psalm 93
Praise to God who reigns

The LORD is king, robed in majesty;
the LORD is robed in majesty and armed with strength.
The LORD has made the world so sure that it cannot be moved.
Ever since the world began, your throne has been established;
you are from everlasting.
The waters have lifted up, O LORD,
the waters have lifted up their voice;
the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.
Mightier than the sound of many waters,
mightier than the breakers of the sea,
mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.
Your testimonies are very sure,
and holiness befits your house, O LORD,
forever and forevermore.

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Revelation 1:4b-8 N.T. page 194
Christ, the ruler of the earth

GOSPEL LESSON John 18:33-37 N.T. page 86
The kingdom of Christ

RESPONSE TO SCRIPTURE Rom. 10:8
This is the word of faith that we proclaim.
Thanks be to God.

ANTHEM "O Magnify the Lord" arr. Fettke

SERMON "The Son of Man" Rev. Bill Pinches

+**HYMN: GTG #394** WESTMINSTER ABBEY
"Christ Is Made the Sure Foundation"

+**CHARGE**
God has made us to be a kingdom of priests
to love God and serve the world.
Go in peace to love and serve.
Amen.

+**BLESSING**
May the blessing of God,
the One who creates, redeems, and restores,
be with you now and always.
Alleluia!

+**CHORAL BENEDICTION** "Thine Is the Kingdom" Choplin

POSTLUDE "Jesus, Joy of Man's Desiring" Bach / Hearn
with "Jesus, Name Above All Names"

**You are invited to join us
for fellowship and refreshments
after worship in the Memorial Room.**
It is not necessary to remain seated during the postlude.

SERVING US TODAY
Liturgist: Debbie Shellenbarger
Greeters: Ron Dlouhy and Jane Hamelink
Next Week's Greeters: Lisa and Jill Castle
and Laurie and Erin McGonigal
Sound: Marty Subject
Livestream: Tami Chapman
Security: Tim Hammond

Today's flowers are given by
Tammy & Steve Sowles
in memory of
Spencer Sowles

CHURCH HISTORY IN MINIATURE

#9: Community:

Devoted to both faith and fellowship, the early Christians in Jerusalem generously share their wealth and resources. The church keeps growing!
(Acts 2:43-47)

THE STUDY CATECHISM

Question 33. What is the significance of affirming that Jesus is truly God?

Only God can properly deserve worship. Only God can reveal to us who God is. And only God can save us from our sins. Being truly God, Jesus meets these conditions. He is the proper object of our worship, the self-revelation of God, and the Savior of the world.

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Class of 2026: Ron Dlouhy (*Treasurer*), Bill Leutscher, Sandy Leutscher, Nancy Sue MacDonald, Laurie McGonigal

EVENTS THIS WEEK

Today	Congregational Meeting	11:15 am
Tuesday	Pie Order Pickup	11:00 am—1:00 pm
Wednesday	Lunch Packing for Advent House	10:15 am
	Pie Order Pickup	11:00 am—1:00 pm
	NO Prayer Fellowship today	
	NO Wonderful Wednesday today	
	NO Wednesday Night Dinner today	
	NO Bell Choir Rehearsal today	
	NO Choir Rehearsal today	
Thursday	Church Office closed (<i>Happy Thanksgiving!</i>)	
Friday	Church Office closed / Pastor's Sabbath	

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Lloyd Fett	Nov. 26
Steve Sowles	Nov. 29

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*A warm and caring Christ-centered community of faith,
actively serving and nurturing one another and our neighbors,
embracing diversity, and fostering spiritual growth*