

SERVICE FOR THE LORD'S DAY

Christ the King Sunday

November 26, 2023

11:00 A.M.

THE GATHERING

To Glorify God and Enjoy God Forever

Prelude

O How He Loves You and Me

Kurt Kaiser

CHIMING THE HOUR

CHORAL INTROIT

*CALL TO WORSHIP

from Psalm 100

Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

People: Worship the Lord with gladness;

come into his presence with singing.

Leader: Know that the Lord is God. It is he that made us, and

we are his; we are his people, and the sheep of his

pasture.

People: Enter his gates with thanksgiving, and his courts

with praise.

Leader: Give thanks to him, bless his name. For the Lord is

good;

People: His steadfast love endures forever, and his

faithfulness to all generations. Let us worship God.

*HYMN No. 142

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

CORONATION

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

CALL TO RECONCILIATION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (unison)

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. Amen.

SILENT PRAYERS OF CONFESSION

Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Jesus Christ died that we might have life. People: The one without sin gave himself for us.

Leader: Friends, here the good news:

People: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

^{*} Those who are able are invited to stand.

*KYRIE No. 572

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

*THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

THE WORD OF GOD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION (unison)

Almighty God, through your only Son you overcame death and opened to us the light of eternity. Enlighten our minds and kindle our hearts that in the reading of the scriptures we may hear your word of promise and joy. Amen.

SCRIPTURE READING

Matthew 25:31-46

Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink?

And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing?

And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God!

ANTHEM

Nearer, My God, to Thee

Georgiann Toole

Nearer my God to Thee, Nearer to thee, E'en though it be a cross that raiseth me; Still all my song shall be, nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee.

Though like the wanderer, sun gone down, darkness be over me, my rest a stone. Yet in my dreams I'd be nearer, my God, to thee, nearer to thee.

Now on joyful wing cleaving the sky, sun, moon, and stars forgot, upward I fly, Still all my song shall be, nearer my God to thee, nearer to thee.

TIME FOR THE CHILDREN

Children are invited to come forward

SERMON

Rev. Sherard Edington

What's New About the New Covenant: A New Way of Life

RESPONSE OF THE PEOPLE

*HYMN No. 359 More Love to Thee, O Christ

MORE LOVE TO THEE

*Affirmation of Faith

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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

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Aria

John O. Schroeder

*Doxology

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.

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

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Lord, in your mercy Hear our prayer.

SENDING FORTH

*HYMN No. 144

Alleluia! Sing to Jesus

HYFRYDOL

*Postlude All People That on Earth Do Dwell Robert J. Hughes

^{*}CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

^{*}CHORAL RESPONSE

WELCOME

We extend a warm welcome to all who worship with us this morning. If you are seeking a church home, we invite you to become a member of First Presbyterian Church. For more information, please speak to the pastor at the close of the service.

For WiFi access go to FPC_CONNECT and enter password 6154441360.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wednesday Night Fellowship Dinner

November 29, 6:00 p.m.

Covered Dish Chicken will be provided

Bring your favorite dish and a friend. Come enjoy great food and fellowship!

THANK YOU to everyone who came to help spruce up the Annex on Saturday, November 18, as we prepare for the upcoming season of Compassionate Hands.

THE 4 CENTS A MEAL offering will be received today.

WILSON COUNTY CHRISTMAS FOR ALL is a non-profit, charitable organization that provides Christmas toys to children residing in East Wilson County. They are seeking monetary and toy donations for the upcoming season. If you would like to donate, please bring your donations to the church office by Thursday, November 30.

LEBANON FIRE DEPARTMENT is holding their annual Spirit of Christmas Toy Drive. The cost to sponsor one Wilson County child is \$20. If you would like to be a sponsor, please bring your donation to the church office. You are welcome to sponsor more than one child or donate a specific amount.

YOUTH

YOUTH GROUP (5^{th} - 12^{th} grade) will meet on Wednesdays at 6:00 p.m. Rev. Edington is teaching the Youth Sunday School Class.

This Week at FPC				
Today		Wednesday		
9:00 a.m.	NCC Worship	5:00 p.m.	Sabbatical	
10:00 a.m.	Church School	Committee Meeting		
11:00 a.m.	Worship	6:00 p.m.	Fellowship Meal	
Monday	_	6:30 p.m.	Choir Practice	
6:00 p.m.	New Day AA Group	Thursday		
Tuesday		9:00 a.m.	Preschool	
9:00 a.m.	Preschool	6:00 p.m.	Boy Scouts	
4:00 p.m.	Prayer Group	Friday	•	
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SESSION

Class of 2023 Max Carter Frank Reeves David Foutch Class of 2024 Nancy Gebhardt Mickey Stueck Allen Vance

Class of 2025 W.P. Bone Jack Emmert

DIACONATE

Class of 2023 Margaret Carroll Mark Fain Carol Benson Pat Hatcher Class of 2024
Jonathan Bouton
Carol Turner
Van Turner
Sandra Weatherford

Class of 2025 Rachel Low Anne Donnell Jim Stueck

CHURCH COMMITTEES

Clerk of Session – Barbara Howell
Treasurer – Jim Stueck
Budget & Finance – Frank Reeves
Buildings and Grounds – Allen Vance
Christian Education – Max Carter
Congregational Care – Mickey Stueck
Outreach – Nancy Gebhardt
Personnel –
Worship –

STAFF

Ministers – All Members of the Congregation
Pastor – Sherard Edington
Organist/Director of Music – Darryl Nettles
Office Administrator – Kristy Vincent
Preschool Director – Angela Hankins
Nursery – Sara Chaney
Custodians – Stratus Cleaning Service

SUNDAY SCHOOL CLASSES

Children
Nursery
Elementary Class and
Middle- High School Class

Adult Crossroads Class Faith Builders Class Westminster Class

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Financial Update			
	Expenses	Income	
October	\$23,190.45	\$21,068.58	
YTD	\$270,198.44	\$272,860.98	
	Last Week's Offering	\$1,792.00	