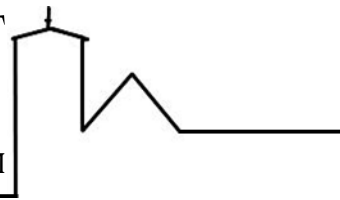


CHRIST THE KING/REIGN OF CHRIST

Westminster Presbyterian Church

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GATHERING IN THE PRESENCE OF THE RISEN CHRIST,

THE PREPARATION

**Partita on Nun Danket Alle Gott
Now Thank We All Our God**

Craig Phillips

WELCOME

*CALL TO WORSHIP

We gather to worship God, who looks favorably on all the humans they created.

We sing praises to God, who stands with us for justice and salvation.

We come together to worship God, who has worked with many prophetic people throughout all times and places.

We sing blessings to God, who makes faithful promises, to us and our ancestors.

We come together to worship God, whose tenderness shines brightly in the breaking of dawn.

We sing blessings to God, who guides our feet on paths of peace.

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN 551

Come Ye Thankful People, Come

St. George's Windsor

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION (*UNISON*)

O God of justice and mercy, you call us to be shepherds who gather and protect those more vulnerable than ourselves. We speak of your justice, but our actions continue to leave others scattered on the edges of society. In the name of our own safety, we shield ourselves from others, push them away with closed doors, hostile looks, and insensitive questions. Even as we protest the actions of the rich and powerful, we have still absorbed their desire for king-like power. We remain tempted by the dream of the Good Life, where goodness for some only comes at the expense of many. Raise us up, O God, from our willful ignorance; bring us back into the fold; help us shepherd in the genuine change that reflects your just promises.

TIME FOR SILENCE AND PERSONAL CONFESSION

KYRIE

HYMN 565

Lord Have Mercy

John Weaver

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

GLORIA

Hymn 566

Glory to God on the Highest

John Weaver

HEARING THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON: Jeremiah 23:1-6

PSALM 46 Hymn 192 God, Our Help and Constant Refuge *Michael*

EPISTLE: Colossians 1:11-20

GOSPEL: Luke 23:33-43

The Word of the Lord... **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON: "Divine Kingship" **Rev. Tim Mitchell**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (*UNISON*) *Apostles Creed (Modern English Version)*

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and he will come again to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. AMEN.

***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

May the peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

THE GIFT OF MUSIC

Jubilate Deo

Benjamin Britten

O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness,

And come before his presence with a song.

Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves:

We are his children and the sheep of his pasture. O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving,

And into his courts with praise.

Be thankful unto him and speak good of his name.

For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting, and his truth endureth from generation to generation.

Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Ghost: as it was and ever shall be world without end. Amen.



SEALING THE WORD

COMMUNION (*see insert*)

CARRYING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***HYMN 468**

Let All the World in Every Corner Sing

Augustine

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

Postlude

Sinfonia from Wir danken dir, Gott BWV 29

J.S Bach

Leading in worship today:

Rev. Tim Mitchell

Dr. Polly Brecht, Organist-Choirmaster

Lara Reem, soprano · Kate Kortemeier, alto

J. Douglas McQueen, tenor · David Kortemeier, bass

Rebekah Dentino, soprano · Dan Stanley, tenor

Christ the King Sunday



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