

Trinity Church Welcomes You

Christ the King Sunday

Saturday, November 16, 2024

Pastor Priscilla Hukki

*Indicates standing as you are able.

Bold indicates “in unison”.

PRELUDE

LIGHTING THE CANDLES

WELCOME

ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOYS AND CONCERNS

PASSING THE PEACE OF CHRIST

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

(Responsive)

¹ Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, you are very great!

You are clothed with majesty and splendor.

²⁴ **How manifold are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.**

^{35b} Bless the Lord, O my soul. Hallelujah!

(From Psalm 104)

***OPENING HYMN** *Crown Him with Many Crowns*

UMH #327 vs. 1, 3, 4

1. Crown him with many crowns, the Lamb upon his throne.

Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns all music but its own.

Awake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
and hail him as thy matchless King through all eternity.

3. Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways
from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.

His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet
fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

4. Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side,
those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.

All hail, Redeemer, hail! For thou hast died for me;
thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, unto whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy name; through Christ our Sovereign. Amen.

FIRST READING

Daniel 7: 9-10, 13-14

⁹ As I watched, thrones were set in place, and an Ancient One took his throne, his clothing was white as snow, and the hair of his head like pure wool; his throne was fiery flames, and its wheels were burning fire.

¹⁰ A stream of fire issued and flowed out from his presence. A thousand thousands served him, and ten thousand times ten thousand stood attending him. The court sat in judgment, and the books were opened.

¹³ As I watched in the night visions, I saw one like a human being coming with the clouds of heaven. And he came to the Ancient One and was presented before him.

¹⁴ To him was given dominion and glory and kingship, that all peoples, nations, and languages should serve him. His dominion is an everlasting dominion that shall not pass away, and his kingship is one that shall never be destroyed.

God's Word for God's People

PSALM

Psalms 93

(read responsively)

¹ 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.

² **Ever since the world began, your throne has been established; you are from everlasting.**

³ The waters have lifted up, O LORD, the waters have lifted up their voice; the waters have lifted up their pounding waves.

⁴ **Mightier than the sound of many waters, mightier than the breakers of the sea, mightier is the LORD who dwells on high.**

⁵ Your testimonies are very sure, and holiness befits your house, O LORD, forever and forevermore.

SECOND READING

Revelation 1: 4b-8

^{4b} Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵ and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins

by his blood, ⁶ and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen.

⁷ Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen.

⁸ “I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

God’s Word for God’s People

***GOSPEL READING**

John 18: 33-37

³³ Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, “Are you the King of the Jews?” ³⁴ Jesus answered, “Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?” ³⁵ Pilate replied, “I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?” ³⁶ Jesus answered, “My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here.” ³⁷ Pilate asked him, “So you are a king?” Jesus answered, “You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice.”

The Gospel of the Lord

SERMON

Pastor Priscilla

HYMN

Jesus Shall Reign

UMH #157 vs. 1, 4, 5

1. Jesus shall reign where'er the sun
does its successive journeys run;
his kingdom spread from shore to shore,
till moons shall wax and wane no more.
4. Blessings abound where'er he reigns;
all prisoners leap and loose their chains;
the weary find eternal rest,
and all who suffer want are blest.
5. Let every creature rise and bring
honor peculiar to our King;
angels descend with songs again,
and earth repeat the loud amen!

***APOSTLES' CREED**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth. I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord. He was conceived by the power of the Holy Spirit and born of the virgin Mary. He 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, and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

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

CALL TO CONFESSION

If we say we are without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us; but if we confess our sins, God who is faithful and just will forgive us and set us again on the right path.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**God of glory,
we confess that we have not sought your face.
We ignore the needs of the
poor and turn away from our own kin.
We allow the gospel to go stale,
and hide the light you have given.
Forgive us; give us grace.
By the renewing gifts of your Spirit
inspire and empower us again
to show the wonder of your love in Jesus Christ our Lord.**

(Silent Confession)

WORDS OF ASSURANCE

(from Psalm 145:13-14, NRSV)

The LORD is faithful in all his words and gracious in all his deeds. The LORD upholds all who are falling and raises up all who are bowed down. Know that you are forgiven and be at peace. Thanks be to God!
Amen.

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PASTORAL PRAYER

OFFERING

We appreciate your support of the work of the church through your tithes and offerings. Please place all offerings in the plate by the entrance to the sanctuary.

***OFFERING** *Praise God, From Whom All Blessings Flow* UMH #95

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.

OFFERTORY PRAYER

God of grace, over the clamor of the world's self-serving roar you have made known to us people with profound needs, and by grace you have freed us to respond.

We thank you, Gracious God.

We ask your blessing upon these boxes, and ask that these gifts be signs to each child and family that they are loved, by You, O God, and by the neighbors you have called to serve them.

May these gifts be blessed to be a blessing, Loving God.

We pray for the work of Samaritan's Purse and all who labor so that people in need of mercy might know God's love and care through the work of our hands.

Make us diligent in our labors, generous in our offerings and earnest in our prayers.

Accept all that we offer today, these shoeboxes, and our tithes and offerings in the name of Jesus, our servant Lord, we pray. **Amen.**

WORDS of INSTITUTION

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name,
Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven.**

**Give us this day our daily bread and forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.**

**And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil,
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory forever.**

Amen.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

We break this bread and share this cup in remembrance of Jesus who gives himself for us. Receive the body and blood of Christ given for you. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Gracious and loving God, you have made us one in the body of Christ, and nourished us at your table with holy food and drink. Now send us forth to be disciples. Grant us strength to persevere in resisting evil, and to proclaim in all we say and do your Good News in Christ Jesus our Savior. Amen.

***HYMN**

Lift High the Cross

UMH #159

Refrain

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim
till all the world adore his sacred name.

1. Come, Christians, follow this triumphant sign.
The hosts of God in unity combine. [*Refrain*]

2. Each newborn servant of the Crucified
bears on the brow the seal of him who died. [*Refrain*]

3. O Lord, once lifted on the glorious tree,
as thou hast promised, draw the world to thee. [*Refrain*]

4. So shall our song of triumph ever be:
Praise to the Crucified for victory! [*Refrain*]

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BENEDICTION

Beloved, God dwells among us! This is good news! Go now in the blessing of the ☩ Triune God who created you, redeems you, and sustains you to live and love as faithful disciples of Jesus our Savior. **Amen.**

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