



Christ the King Sunday

November 24th, 2019

Prelude

Hymn: #267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing

Madrid

Hymn: #673

Jesus, Light of Joy

Lauda Anima

Opening Sentences

Confession and Silence

God of the Ages, you are King of Kings and Lord of Lords. You have ruled on high for generations upon generations, and yet, despite your majesty and the perfect glorification you deserve, you choose us. You choose to be the God of broken people—people who are sad, fearful, worrying, and full of mistrust. You choose us who are weary, who are out of patience and out of time. But why? Why do you choose us? Our attention span is so short, more often than not, too short, to revel in your glory or even notice your presence in our daily lives. We are ashamed to admit how easily the simplest things can distract us from you and lord over and consume our hearts and minds. Hear us now, God of patience and love. Hear our desire to know you better, to be able to clear out the webs of things that pull us away from you, to focus our love, attention, and devotion to you. We pray these things guided by the power of the Holy Spirit. Amen. (Silence is kept)

Reminder of Baptism/Assurance of Pardon

Leader: Through Christ, in Christ, because of Christ, we are adorned with grace and forgiven. We are refreshed by the waters of baptism and breathe with the power of the Holy Spirit.

All: **May it be so! All thanks and praise to God on High. Amen.**

Hymn: #267

Come, Christians, Join to Sing
(Verse 1)

Madrid

Hymn for Illumination: #288

Spirit of the Living God

Iverson

Psalm 46

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble

Therefore, we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains tremble in the heart of the sea; though the waters roar and foam, though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

There is a river whose streams make glad...

“Be still and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations, I am exalted in the earth.”

The LORD of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

Reflection

Luke 1:68-79

Hymn of Response: #265

Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun

Duke Street

Communal Prayer

Hymn: #51

To Abraham and Sarah

Llanfyllin

Evening Prayer with Lord's Prayer

Hymn:#686

God of Our Life

Sandon

Charge and Benediction

*Sharing of the Peace of Christ

Leader: May the peace that comes from knowing that Christ is King be with you all.

People: And also with you.

*This sign is an invitation, to all who are able, to stand as they offer God thanks and praise.

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At the end of Worship, in gratitude for the love and grace extended to us by God, we are invited to share our resources to support ministries of justice and mercy to benefit neighbor and stranger. Please place your gifts and pledges in the basket near the door as you exit.

Leading in Worship

Associate Pastor: Rev. Abbey Walker

Director of Worship and Music: Josh Phelps

Piano: Steve Thompson

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AT A GLANCE

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- 5 PM - Worship

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Central Campus Office Hours

Monday - Friday 8 AM - 5 PM

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Sunday Schedule

- 8:30 AM - Chapel Worship
- 9:30 AM - Christian Education
- 10:30 AM - Sanctuary Worship

Service Broadcast

Sundays -

- 5 AM on KOKH
(check local listings)
- 11 AM on KOCO
(check local listings)
- online via our LiveStream at:
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A NOTE FROM REV. DR. PAUL J. KIRBAS

Dear Congregation,

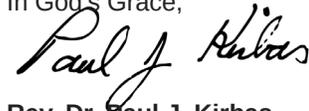
On the liturgical calendar, today is officially the last day of the year. The liturgical calendar follows the story of the Gospel, from the waiting of the birth of Christ through his life, crucifixion, and resurrection. It takes us through Pentecost and then through the birth and life of the Church. As we approach the end of the liturgical year, we recognize the worldwide presence of the church on World Communion Sunday, and we celebrate the Church Triumphant on All Saints Sunday. Now we come to the final words of the liturgical year. It is simply and profoundly, the announce that Christ is King! Welcome the Christ the King Sunday!

This weekend, we are also celebrating the renovation of the Westminster Carillon. The Carillon is a unique and important part of our church. There are very few traditional carillons left in society today. The Kirkpatrick Foundation decided to present Westminster with a grant to make this renovation possible. The foundation doesn't often give grants to churches, but they saw the carillon of our church as a true community asset and wanted to be involved in its restoration. We are very thankful for the financial support of the Kirkpatrick Foundation.

Following our 10:30 AM worship service today, our carillon player Lisa Hart will offer a rededication recital. We hope you will stay around after the service to give thanks for this wonderful instrument and enjoy the sounds that will continue to come from it for decades to follow.

With Thanksgiving on the horizon, I wish to offer a very blessed Thanksgiving to you and all your loved ones. I hope you enjoy the holiday and come back to church the next Sunday as we begin the new liturgical year with the arrival of the season of Advent.

In God's Grace,



Rev. Dr. Paul J. Kirbas
Pastor/Head of Staff

CONGREGATIONAL OFFERINGS

November 28th and 29th Holiday Closure

In observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday, all church offices, campuses and buildings will be closed Thursday, November 28th and Friday, November 29th.

December 4th / 6 PM Grief Panel

The congregation and many community members are experiencing their first holiday season after a major loss. This panel is intended to provide them and their families a safe place to learn about grief and ask questions. Please join us at our North Campus on December 4th at 6 PM for a panel discussion. The panel will feature moms from the SIL group who have bravely agreed to share their stories and answer questions about life after loss. This panel discussion will be an informative and powerful evening. If you or someone you love is grieving this holiday season, I pray this will be helpful to you.

December 13th Beer & Cheer

Have you ever wanted to know more about beer—it's origins and roots? So, come and learn how the history of beer and the history of religion have intersected as we prepare for the holidays with a little, light-hearted fun!

December 15 / Central Campus Christmas At Westminster & Brunch

Save the date of December 15 for a brunch that immediately follows the Sunday service of Lessons and Carols. Tickets: \$10 adults, \$5 children, or \$35 family max (two adults and at least two children) The brunch will include a special "Countdown To Christmas" with crafts, activities, festive music, a hot cocoa station and pictures with Santa.