

Christ the King Sunday

November 21, 2021

9:30 a.m.

Welcome friends in Christ! We are glad you have come to worship today and to celebrate the love of God in Jesus Christ. We extend a warm greeting of Christian Fellowship to you.

*Congregation standing for those who are able.

Our Approach to God

Prelude *Thanks Be to Thee* Handel
One License #206803

The Call to Worship

Come! Behold the reign of Christ,
like the sun rising on a cloudless morning, gleaning from the dew on the grassy land.

Come! Behold the reign of Christ,
a power that shall not pass away and a love that will never be destroyed.

We belong to the reign of Christ,
the Alpha and Omega, who was, and is, and is to come.

Behold, the King comes. Alleluia!
O Come, Let us worship Christ the King and bow down. Alleluia. Christ reign! Amen.

*The Hymn of Praise *Come Thou Almighty King* 139
Congregation sing verses 1 & 4

The Call to Confession Revelations 1:5
Jesus loves us and frees us from our sins; therefore, let us confess our sins to God.

*The Prayer of Confession

O Holy One, you showed us what it means to live by your reign: sharing food with the hungry, freedom with the imprisoned, justice with the oppressed, and joy with the sorrowful. We ask your forgiveness, O God, for all the ways we fail to live as people who belong to your reign. Show us once more what our belonging means, for you are the beginning, you are the end, and in every time between, you fill our lives with grace.

Hear us O God, as we approach with our individual intentions in the silence of our hearts. (Silence).

In your abundant mercy teach us what it means to follow, even as the cost of our lives. Amen.

*The Assurance of Pardon

Brothers and Sisters, the mercy of the Lord is from everlasting to everlasting, it cannot be contained, but must be poured out. Believe this good news:

in Jesus Christ, our sin is forgiven. Live as a people set free. Thanks be to God. Amen.

*The Response *Sanctuary* CCLI 24140

Lord prepare me to be a sanctuary. Pure and holy, tried and true. With thanksgiving, I'll be a living sanctuary for you.

The Special Music *Come, Ye Thankful People, Come* arr. Terego
CCLI #6183466

The Word of God

The Time with the Children

The New Testament Reading Revelations 1:4b-8

The Gospel Reading John 18:33-37

The Sermon "The Kingship" Pastor Philomena

Our Response to Serve

*Affirmation of Faith: (Philippians 2:5-11)

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death — even death on a cross. Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.

*The Hymn *Jesus Shall Reign where're the Sun* 423
Congregation sings verses 1 & 3

The Morning Prayers and the Lord's Prayer (using sins)

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.

The Offering of our Tithes and Gifts

The Offertory *O Worship the King* Smith
CCLI #259393

*The 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.

*The Prayer of Dedication

*The Charge and Benediction

Postlude *Variations on "The Presidents Hymn"* arr. Sponge
One License #1049286

Our guest musicians today are – Laurel Taipale, organ & piano and Ruth Estell, violin

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Announcements and Upcoming Events

The flowers today are in celebration for DJ & Tammi Sova and Samantha Engel for their hard work and dedication to the Second Presbyterian Youth Group.

Hanging of the Greens – TODAY

Just a reminder that we will need help after worship today to decorate the church for the Christmas season.

2nd @ Second Adult Education

We will not meet TODAY or NEXT Sunday. Join us Sunday, December 5 at 10:45 a.m. in the library as we reflect on the Gospel of Luke chapter 1 & 2.



Help Needed for a SERRV Sale

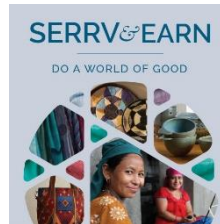
On Saturday, November 27 & Sunday, November 28, we will be offering SERRV merchandise for sale at ST. Thomas Aquinas Church. We will need many helpers to make this a success. The hours needed are:

Saturday 3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 8:00 a.m. -? (We will pack up after 12:30 p.m.)

Sunday will be in 2-hour shifts.

Sign-up sheets are on a table in the main hallway.



Poinsettias

We will decorate the Sanctuary with poinsettias for the Christmas Season. If you would like to order a poinsettia in honor or memory of someone special, please sign up and pay in the office. The deadline to order is December 5. These beautiful poinsettias are \$10.00 each. Take your poinsettias home after the Christmas Eve services.



The Angel Tree gift tags are out on the table in the front hallway. Angel Tree is a part of Prison Fellowship and provides an opportunity for our church to extend the hope of the Gospel through delivering Christmas gifts on behalf of their incarcerated parents. Please keep in mind, although there is a "wish list" on each tag, you are not obligated to buy everything on that list. \$25 is usually the maximum amount. All gifts are due back at church by December 12th.

Inclement Weather Policy

When Saginaw Township Schools have been closed due to inclement weather (snow, ice, temperatures, etc.), any church programming for that day will also be cancelled. This includes any activity of the church or outside groups that use church facilities. Examples are (but not limited to): Session, Committee meetings, Choirs, Bible Study, Women's Circle, Community events.



Advent Wreath Lighters

Advent season is upon us and we are in need of wreath lighters for December 5, December 12, December 19 and December 24 services. We are hoping to have a different group of lighters this year, so if you didn't serve as a wreath lighter last season of Advent, please consider signing up to light the wreath this year.



Office Hours

The church office is open the following hours during Thanksgiving week:
Monday thru Wednesday - 9:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
Thursday and Friday - Closed