

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

The Lord's Day

November 20, 2016

CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

Almighty and everlasting God, whose will is to restore all things in your well-beloved Son, our Lord and King: Grant that the people of earth, now divided and enslaved by sin, may be freed and brought together under his gentle and loving rule; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

Lighting the Christ Candles

Call to Worship:

Leader: Christ Jesus, the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.

People: For in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him.

Leader: He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together.

People: He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything.

Leader: For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell,

People: And through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross. Colossians 1:15-20

All: Let us worship God!

*Hymn: Crown Him with Many Crowns #268

*Prayer of Adoration

Call to Confession

Prayer of Confession:

Most holy and merciful Father, we confess in your presence the sinfulness of our nature, and our shortcomings and offenses against you. You alone know how often we have sinned in wandering from your ways, in wasting your gifts, in forgetting your love. Have mercy, O Lord, upon us, who are ashamed and sorry for all we have done to displease you; and forgive our sins, through Jesus Christ your Son, our Savior. Amen.

Time for Personal Confession

Response: Lord, Have Mercy Upon Us Dvořák

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

Assurance of Pardon:

Leader: For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

People: Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him.

Leader: Friends, this is the good news of the gospel!

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

*Gloria Patri Glory Be to the Father #581

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

Presentation of Tithes and Offerings

Offertory

*Doxology: Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven Verse 1 #620

Praise my soul, the King of Heaven, To His feet thy tribute bring; Ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven, Evermore His praises sing: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the everlasting King!

*Prayer of Dedication

Prayer for Illumination:

Almighty God, in you are hidden all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Open our eyes that we may see the wonders of your Word; and give us grace that we may clearly understand and freely choose the way of your wisdom; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Psalter: Psalm 24 (People's part is sung to the tune of Highland Cathedral) para. M. Morgan

Leader: The earth is the LORD's, and everything in it, the world, and all who live in it; for he founded it on the seas and established it on the waters.

People: LORD, all creation with Thy name resounds, And all who dwell within earth's ample bounds; Ever above the seas have mountains stood, Planted by Thy design upon the flood.

Leader: Who may ascend the mountain of the LORD? Who may stand in his holy place? The one who has clean hands and a pure heart, who does not trust in an idol or swear by a false god. They will receive blessing from the LORD and vindication from God their Savior. Such is the generation of those who seek him, who seek your face, God of Jacob.

People: Who shall to Zion's sacred heights ascend? Within God's house, whom shall the LORD defend? The true, the meek, the righteous and the pure Shall in God's courts of blessing long endure.

Leader: Lift up your heads, you gates; be lifted up, you ancient doors, that the King of glory may come in. Who is this King of glory? The LORD strong and mighty, the LORD mighty in battle.

People: Lift high your heads, O Gates, before the Lord! Unfold to greet our God with one accord! Break free the bonds which bind you to your walls! Welcome the mighty God, the LORD of all!

Scripture Reading: Philippians 2:5-11

Anthem: The Name of Jesus Craig Courtney Kelley McAdams, soprano Nathan Ponder, tenor Chelsea Scott, soprano Kayla Roth, djembe

Time for Young Disciples (Preschool children may return to their pew or gather at the piano door where today's shepherd will lead them in a time of special activities.)

*Hymn All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name #263

Scripture: Luke 23:32-43 Sermon: Reign of Christ

Prayers of the People 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 debts, as we forgive our debtors. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: For Thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

*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.

*Hymn: Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun #265

*Benediction

*Choral Response: Thanks Be to God #36

*Closing Voluntary

*Please stand if you are able

ASSISTING IN WORSHIP TODAY

Ushers: Michael Maurer Chris Kline
 Amy Maurer Charles Gavin
Shepherds: Kristi Hachtel and Vickie Wallace
Liturgist: Carrie Moody
Reader: Ken Deppisch

UPCOMING EVENTS

Sunday, November 20

12:00 noon Children’s Choir
5:00 pm WUFs at Sandersons

Monday, November 21

5:15 pm Soul Sisters
6:00 pm Community Thanksgiving Service

Tuesday, November 22

5:30 pm Handbell Practice

Thursday, November 24

Happy Thanksgiving!
Office closed Nov. 24 and 25

Sunday, November 27

First Sunday of Advent
9:30 am Sunday School
11:00 am Worship Service
12:00 noon Children’s Choir

TODAY’S FLOWERS

The beautiful flowers were placed in the sanctuary today to the glory of God in celebration of the birthday of Catherine Wiley Deppisch by her grandparents, Kay and Geoff Grubb.

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Westminster Presbyterian Church exists to declare God’s love for all through Jesus Christ, to nurture and encourage spiritual growth, to maintain the integrity of divine worship, and to share the love and joy found in Christ by giving ourselves to our community and to the world.

THE SESSION

<u>Class of 2016</u>	<u>Class of 2017</u>	<u>Class of 2018</u>
Sue Atkins	Ken Deppisch	Bobbie Ann Anderson
Claire Bray	Chris Kline	Clarence Bahs
Ray Taylor	Bennie Kitchens	Deborah Dalton
Patricia Thompson	Lisa Thompson	Kristi Hachtel
Mark Turner	Jean Williams	Michele Peck

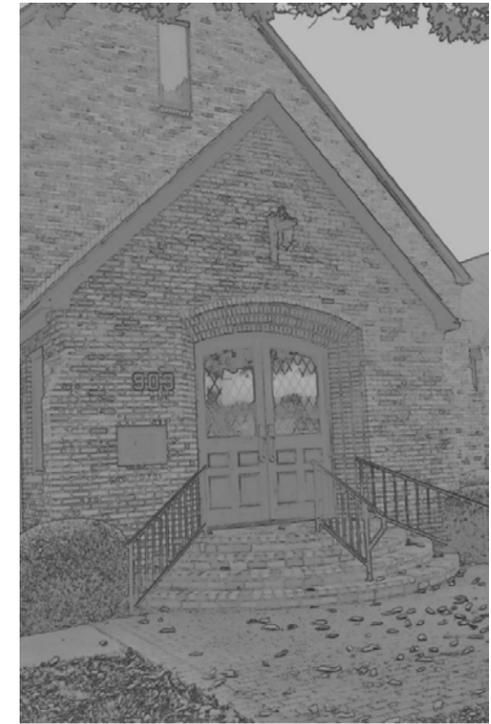
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MINISTERS: All the Members of the Congregation

CHURCH STAFF:	Pastor	Steve Newton
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	Director of Christian Education	Jean Williams
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	Handbell Choir Director	Myra McNellie
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**Christ the King Sunday
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³² Two other men, both criminals, were also led out with him to be executed. ³³ When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴ Jesus said, “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” And they divided up his clothes by casting lots. ³⁵ The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, “He saved others; let him save himself if he is God’s Messiah, the Chosen One.” ³⁶ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷ and said, “If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself.” ³⁸ There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS. ³⁹ One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: “Aren’t you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!” ⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. “Don’t you fear God,” he said, “since you are under the same sentence? ⁴¹ We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong.” ⁴² Then he said, “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.” ⁴³ Jesus answered him, “Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise.”
Luke 23:32-43