



CHRIST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

Established
October 4, 1851
Madison, Wisconsin

The festival of **Christ the King — or Reign of Christ** —ends the season of Ordinary Time, and moves us to the threshold of Advent.

The day centers on Christ, whom God exalted to rule over the whole universe.

Thus, the celebration looks back to Ascension, Easter, and Transfiguration, and points ahead to the coming of the King of kings.

Christ is the center of the universe, the ruler of all history, the judge of all people.

In Christ all things began, and in him all things will be fulfilled. In the end, Christ will triumph over the forces of evil, with all those who in every age confessed, “Jesus Christ is Lord!”

CHRIST 
THE KING

Sunday, November 22, 2020

Christ the King Sunday

10:00am Online Worship

*We are ... A Community centered in Christ:
gathering in love, growing by grace, going forth to serve.*

Welcome to Worship at Christ Presbyterian Church!

Physical distancing and public health measures were followed during worship recording.

We Gather in the Love of Christ

The Organ Prelude *Liebster Jesu, wir sind hier*

Johann Sebastian Bach

Based on "Blessed Jesus, We are Here", Glory to God, No 395

Welcome

Kathy Otterson

Hymn of Thanksgiving (We Gather Together)

arr. Lowell Shaw

We are grateful to Jeanne Jeffries, Amherst, MA—a cousin of Carol Quintana—for sharing this Recording, in which she plays each horn part and then layers them together to create the sound of a full quartet of horns.

The Call to Worship

With the singer of Psalms, we proclaim that God is our Shepherd,
that in God's care, we sense green pastures about us, even when our surroundings in life seem like harsh desert to the eyes of another.

Our Shepherd leads us in pathways of righteous living, simply because God is Holy, and this is how we respond to knowing a Holy God.

And our Shepherd is also a King, so that even as God guides us with caring, God also leads us with justice.

Praise God whom we serve in love responding to God's love for us!

Hymn of Praise *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name* — St. 1,3 and 4

Glory to God, No. 263

The Prayer of Confession

Rev. Dr. Tom Robinson

When we would keep our faults and failings in the shadows, you call us to bring them into the light of your grace and forgiveness. With such a promise, with such a hope, how can we not confess to the One who loves us so much? Let us join together as we pray, saying ...

It is never easy to confess our sins to you, God who listens to our words, and also discerns our hearts. When we have a chance to speak up for the outsider, we too often join in sending them away into the wilderness of hopelessness. When we could shout good news to a needy world, our voices drop to a whisper. When we could abound in grace, we continue to wallow in wrongdoing. Forgive us, Hearer of our hearts, and have mercy on us. You lean over to listen to our words, and the to cast them into your sea of loving forgiveness. You show us your signs of hope, that we might point others to you. You help us when we are weakest and, in Jesus Christ, our Lord and Savior, you save us when we cannot save ourselves.

Silent Confession

The Assurance of Pardon

Dr. Robinson

The good news is that Christ is our King!

In him we have a righteous, faithful ruler, who serves with justice and love.

A King who suffered on our behalf, and in his suffering revealed God's redeeming love.

This is the good news: in Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Thanks be to God!

The Response of Praise *King of My Heart*

John Mark and Sarah McMillan

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Laura Andrews

The Doxology *Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow*

Glory to God, No. 606

We Grow by Grace in the Spirit of God

News of the Church

Rich Henderson

A Minute for Mission Partners *The Giving Tree*

Mary Strait

A Reading from Scripture Matthew 25: 31-46

Max Blaska

The Sermon A Most Difficult Sentence

Dr. Robinson

Anthem *God is My Strong Salvation*

Austin C. Lovelace

We Go Forth in Joy to Serve the Lord

The Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Natalie Handley

Sending Song *Build Your Kingdom Here*

Rend Collective

The Benediction

The Organ Postlude *Fugue No. 1 in B Major*
From "Three Preludes and Fugues for Organ"

Marcel Dupré

However and wherever you will celebrate the holiday—Happy Thanksgiving!

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 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.

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Leading in Worship Today

Preacher: Rev. Dr. Tom Robinson
Organist: John A. Rafoth Pianist: Natalie Handley
Guitar: Derek Handley Bass: John Itson Drums: Bill Cheadle
Vocalists: Natalie Handley, Derek Handley, Matt Clark-Sally
Amalia Goldberg, Kirstin Roble, Jiabao Zhang, John Bohman
Worship Streaming Coordinator: Bryan Yates

CPC Deacon On-Call—November

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Why read the Lectionary?

The daily Lectionary readings expand the range of biblical reading in worship and personal devotion by providing daily scripture citations for home reading.

- Monday, November 23, 2020:** Psalm 7; Esther 2:1-18; 2 Timothy 2:8-13
- Tuesday, November 24, 2020:** Psalm 7; Esther 8:3-17; Revelation 19:1-9
- Wednesday, November 25, 2020:** Psalm 7; Ezekiel 33:7-20; John 5:19-40
- Thursday, November 26, 2020:** Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Zechariah 13:1-9; Rev14:6-13
- Friday, November 27, 2020:** Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Zechariah 14:1-9; 1 Thess 4:1-18
- Saturday, November 28, 2020:** Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19; Micah 2:1-13; Matthew 24:15-31

Please visit: www.cpcmadison.org for more information about:

Online Sunday worship

Giving online

Submitting a prayer request

Receiving the Wednesday email and monthly Tidings newsletter,

Fall CPC Church activities

Activities for Children and Youth

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Ways to get involved at CPC - even during a pandemic