

Service for the Lord's Day

Reign of Christ

November 21, 2021

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*W*elcome visitors, newcomers, and friends worshipping with us today! If you're interested in joining our church community, please speak to a pastor after worship or contact the church office, 434-293-3133. We hope you will worship with us again, whenever possible.

Preparing to Hear God's Word

Prelude *Nun danket alle Gott* Justin Heinrich Knecht

Welcome

◆ Call to Worship

Clothe yourselves with faith and love;

be confident in your salvation in Christ Jesus.

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

◆ Hymn 363

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

DARWALL'S 148TH

Call to Confession

Litany of Confession

We confess we have strayed from your Word.

We cry out to you, O God.

*We confess that we have allowed the worries of this world
to drive us away from your vision for our lives.*

We cry out to you, O God.

We confess that there is strife and contention all around us.

We cry out to you, O God.

Let us confess together:

**That we are powerless and have lost our focus,
that we have not allowed your Spirit to work in our lives,
yet we continue to cry out to you in times of trouble and need.**

*Grant us understanding and wisdom
that we may see your vision and apply it in our daily lives.*

**Hear our prayer, O God,
and call us back to you.**

Silent Prayers

Sung Response

HS 71

**Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
 Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy.
 Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy.
 Lord, have mercy, have mercy.**

Assurance of Forgiveness

*Siblings,
 rejoice and be glad, for God is mighty to save
 and comes to you in peace
 to forgive, restore, and strengthen you
 eternally in Christ.*

Thanks be to God. Amen.

◆ Sung Response

Glory to God hymnal 679

**Let the whole creation cry, “Glory to the Lord on high.”
 Heaven and earth, awake and sing, “Praise to our almighty King.”
 Praise God, angel hosts above, ever bright and fair in love;
 Sun and moon, uplift your voice; night and stars, in God rejoice!**

◆ Passing of the Peace

The peace of Christ be with you. And also with you.

Anthem (11:00)

Blessed Be!

Melanie DeMore

Blessed Be! Blest Be, Blessed Be the Living Tree.
 Steady and true, Rooted in love.
 Shelter and peace Below and above.
 Sing to the sky, Rise from the earth.
 Seasons come round again, Death to rebirth.
 Blessed Be! Blest Be, Blessed Be the Living Tree.

God’s Word to Us

First Reading

Psalm 119:25-32

Anthem (11:00)

O Jesus, King Most Wonderful!

arr. David Hogan

O Jesus, King most wonderful! O Conqueror renowned!
 O Source of peace in effable, In whom all joys are found.

O Jesus, light of all below, The fount of life and fire,
 Surpassing all the joys we know, all that we can desire.

When once you visit darkened hearts, Then truth begins to shine,
Then earthly vanity departs, Then kindles love divine.

You may our tongues forever bless; You may we love alone
And ever in our lives express the image of your own!

May every heart confess your name, Forever you adore,
And, seeking you, itself inflame To seek you more and more.

Second Reading Luke 2:41-52

Sermon Jesus' Formation David Garth

◆ Affirmation of Faith

You shall have no other gods before me.

You shall not make for yourself an idol.

You shall not make wrongful use of the name of the Lord your God.

Remember the sabbath day, and keep it holy.

Honor your parents.

You shall not murder.

You shall not steal.

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor.

You shall not covet anything that belongs to your neighbor.

◆ Hymn 265 (11:00) **Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun** DUKE STREET

Prayers of the Congregation and the Lord's Prayer Glory to God hymnal p. 35

◆ Hymn 37 **Let All Things Now Living** ASH GROVE

◆ Prayer of Thanksgiving and Benediction

Postlude *Nun danket alle Gott* Sigfrid Karg-Elert

◆ Please stand, as you are able.

The flowers today are given in memory of Soo Ik Lee, M.D. from Ock Lee.

What's Happening *at Westminster*

Sunday, November 21

8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. In-person Worship in the Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Church School

12 p.m. UKirk and 20/30 CreW Bagel Brunch at Common Grounds

12:15 p.m. Singers Rehearsal

12:15 p.m. Deacons Meeting in the Library

1:30 p.m. Session Meeting via Zoom

4 p.m. Organ Concert Series: Organ Vespers, with Jonathan Schakel, organ

Thursday, November 25

Thanksgiving Day

Sunday, November 28

First Sunday of Advent

8:30 a.m. and 11 a.m. In-person Worship in the Sanctuary

9:30 a.m. Church School (children are not meeting)

12:15 p.m. Singers Rehearsal

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