

**Christ the King Sunday**  
10:00 a.m. November 24, 2024

Entering God's Presence

Welcome, Life in the Community, and Ritual of Friendship

\*Hymn 363                      **Rejoice, the Lord Is King**                      DARWALL'S 148TH

\*Expressing Our Joy

*Leader: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.*

*People: Worship the Lord with gladness; come into God's presence with singing.*

*Leader: Know that the Lord is God.*

*People: It is God that made us, and we are his; we are God's people, and the sheep of his pasture.*

*Leader: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, and his courts with praise.*

*People: Give thanks to God, bless his name.*

*Leader: For the Lord is good;*

*People: God's steadfast love endures forever, and his faithfulness to all generations.*

*Leader: May the Lord be with you.* (Psalm 100)

*People: And also with you.*

*Leader: Let us pray.* (Congregation seated.)

Prayer of Trust and Confidence

Invitation to Self-Examination and Confession of our Need for God's Forgiveness (unison)

*God of all forgiveness, we pray for new life as we confess our old ways. We hear your promise amid our own self-doubt. Hope is proclaimed, yet we seek guarantees. Christ calls us to obedience, but we set conditions. When called to follow, we ask to what end. We applaud commitment, but we treasure our comfort. Forgive our reluctance to walk in newness of life.*

Time of Silence and Personal Confession

Assurance of God's Forgiveness

\*Hymn 336                      **We Gather Together**                      KREMSER

Isaiah 9:2, 6, 7 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 600 in the pew Bible.]

Anthem                      **Let All Things Now Living**                      Welsh Folk Melody  
Noah (guitar) / Graham (violin)

Matthew 4:12-17 (NRSV) [You will find the text on page 3 in the pew Bible.]

Sermon                      **Inspiring Others**                      The Rev. Vance E. Polley

\*Affirmation of Faith and **Gloria Patri** (No. 581)

*Christ Jesus though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death—even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess to the glory of God: Jesus Christ is Lord! Amen.* (Phil. 2:5-11)

Ministry of Prayer [Text prayer requests to: (843) 437-4239]

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\*At the Presentation                      **Doxology** (No. 606)                      OLD HUNDREDTH

Prayer of Dedication, concluding with *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.*

\*Hymn 367                      **Come, Ye Thankful People, Come**                      ST. GEORGE'S WINDSOR

\*Benediction

\*Choral Benediction                      **The Bond of Love** (AAHH #521)                      Otis Skillings

\*Going Out into the World

\*Those that are able, please stand.