



**CHRIST THE KING
COMMUNION SERVICE**

November 24, 2019 9:30 AM

First Presbyterian Church

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THE CHURCH GATHERS

PRAYER FOR MEDITATION: *Jesus, you lived two thousand years ago, and still you hold power over our lives. You lived two thousand years ago, and yet your way of power, justice, and love is the way to bring true fullness of life to all people. We lift you to the place of greatest honor. We praise your holy name. Amen.*

RINGING OF THE CHIMES

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

ORGAN PRELUDE *Con moto maestoso* Mendelssohn

CHORAL INTROIT *God Welcomes All* Bell
Chancel Choir

#*CALL TO WORSHIP *Elder David Greene*

One: Around the world this day, the universal church celebrates “*The Reign of Christ.*” Christ Jesus, friend of the poor, the meek and the merciful, has been enthroned above all authority and power in this world and in the world that is to come.

ALL: *Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth, serve the Lord with gladness; come into God’s presence with singing.*

One: God has placed everything under Christ’s wounded feet, appointed the One who wore a crown of thorns as the supreme Head of the Church, His body.

ALL: *Enter His gates with thanksgiving, come into His courts with praise. Give thanks and praise God’s holy name!*

TO PRAISE GOD AND CONFESS OUR SINS

#*HYMN OF PRAISE: 265 *(Please stand at the introduction to the hymns)*

Jesus Shall Reign Where’er the Sun DUKE STREET

CALL TO CONFESSION AND PRAYER OF CONFESSION *Elder David Greene*

One: Gracious God, the Apostle Peter encourages us to rejoice over the new heaven and the new earth promised by you. Yet so often we live without joy, and we seek our own kingdom instead of yours.

ALL: *Forgive us, O God.*

(A time of silent confession)

One: Too often, Merciful Father, we look with indifference upon those less fortunate, and ignore the poverty of our own souls.

ALL: *Forgive us, O God, and lead us to true repentance.*

(A time of silent confession)

One: Loving God, let us never take for granted, or neglect the sacrifice of Jesus Christ. Open our eyes and our hearts to his body which is broken for us, and his blood which is shed for us.

ALL: *Grant that we might be renewed and restored by the gift of your Son. In Christ, we find our joy. In Christ we find our hope. May our joy and hope be contagious, so that others are drawn to its source and foundation. Lead us, O God. By the power of your Spirit, transform us, and anchor our lives in you. Through Christ we pray, Amen.*

***ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS**

Elder David Greene

One: If anyone is in Christ, there is a new creation: everything old has passed away; see, everything has become new! All this is from God to whom we have been reconciled by Christ. (2 Corinthians 5:17,18a)

ALL: *Thanks be to God! In Christ, our lives are made new and we are forgiven! Alleluia! Amen!*

##CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE: 581

GLORIA PATRI

*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.*

TO GIVE THANKS, PETITION AND INTERCESSION

MINUTE FOR MISSION

'Tis the Season to ... invite someone to FPC!

Elder Russell Jones

RECEPTION OF NEW MEMBERS

Rev. John White

Patti Thomas

Reaffirmation of Faith

Jerry Thomas

Reaffirmation of Faith

*(sing in unison) Blest be the tie that binds our hearts in Christian love:
The fellowship of kindred minds is like to that above.*

PASSING OF THE PEACE

ANTHEM

*Brother James' Air
Chancel Choir*

arr. Wilberg

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

Libby Smith

(After the Time with Children, our young friends ages 4-2ND grade are invited to the Children's Church in the Education Building. An adult will escort the children. After church the children will be escorted to their appropriate Sunday School rooms. Grades 3-5 are invited to remain in the Sanctuary for worship.)

***HYMN: 310**

I Love Thy Kingdom, Lord

ST. THOMAS

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

TO EXPERIENCE GOD'S WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Rev. John White

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 23:33-43 (p. 88-89)

One: This is the word of the Lord.

ALL: *Thanks be to God.*

COMMUNION MEDITATION

“King Jesus”

Rev. John H. White

TO RESPOND IN FAITH

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH** (in unison) *The Apostles’ Creed (Traditional)* *Rev. John White*

*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.*

*(At this time, please find the red friendship pad located toward the center isle on each pew,
sign it, pass it down your row and back again, taking note of those who worship with you.)*

OFFERING

ORGAN

Prelude on ABERYSTWYTH

Held

OFFERTORY

Dr. Terry McRoberts, organist

*Doxology (Tune: 607)

OLD HUNDREDTH

*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.*

*Dedicatory Prayer

Elder David Greene

SERVICE OF HOLY COMMUNION

COMMUNION HYMN: 269 (stanzas 1-2)

Lead On, O King Eternal!

LANCASHIRE

INVITATION AND COMMUNION PRAYER

SHARING THE BREAD AND THE CUP

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: 269** (stanza 3)

Lead On, O King Eternal!

LANCASHIRE

*BENEDICTION

***CHORAL BENEDICTION**

Be Near Me, Lord
Chancel Choir

Scott

***ORGAN POSTLUDE**

Festive Recessional