



**THE WORSHIP OF GOD**  
**Christ the King Sunday**  
**November 22, 2020**

**WELCOME TO WORSHIP**

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence  
Associate Minister

**MUSIC OF PREPARATION**

*Come, Ye Thankful People Come*  
Mr. Rick Massengale, organ

George Elbey

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Rev. Lawrence

**CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP**

*Now Thank We All Our God*

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**\*CALL TO WORSHIP**

*from Psalm 100*

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

Make a joyful noise to the LORD, all the earth.

**Worship the LORD with gladness.**

Know that the LORD is God.

**Enter the LORD'S gates with thanksgiving, and the Divine courts with praise. Give thanks to God,  
bless God's holy name.**

**\*HYMN**

*We Gather Together*

KRESMSLER

*We gather together to ask the Lord's blessing:  
he chastens and hastens his will to make known.  
The wicked oppressing now cease from distressing.  
Sing praises to his name: he forgets not his own.*

*Beside us to guide us, our God with us joining,  
ordaining, maintaining his kingdom divine:  
so from the beginning the fight we were winning;  
thou, Lord, wast at our side, all glory be thine!*



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*We all do extol thee, thou leader triumphant,  
and pray that thou still our defender wilt be.  
Let thy congregation escape tribulation;  
thy name be ever praised! O Lord, make us free!*

**\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

*The Apostles' Creed*

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**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 Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at 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 Spirit, the holy \*catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.**      *\*universal      UMH 881*

**\*GLORIA PATRI**

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**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.**

**\*PASSING OF THE PEACE**

*Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:*

*“The peace of Christ be with you.” “And also with you.”*

**PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER**

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**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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

**ANTHEM**

*Look at the World*

John Rutter

*Look at the world, everything all around us;  
Look at the world, and marvel every day.  
Look at the world; so many joys and wonders,  
So many miracles along our way.*

*(chorus)*

*Praise to thee, O Lord, for all creation,  
Give us thankful hearts, that we may see:  
All the gifts we share, and every blessing,  
All things come of thee.*

*Look at the earth bringing forth fruit and flower;  
Look at the sky, the sunshine and the rain;  
Look at the hills, look at the trees and mountains,  
Valley and flowing river, field and plain;*

*Think of the spring, think of the warmth of summer  
Bringing the harvest before the winter's cold.*

*Everything grows, everything has a season,  
Till it is gathered to the Father's fold:*

*Every good gift, all that we need and cherish  
Comes from the Lord in token of his love;  
We are his hands, stewards of all his bounty;  
His is the earth and his the heavens above:*

**\*DOXOLOGY**

OLD 100th

**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.**

**\*PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION**

Rev. Lawrence and **People**

**Lord, open our hearts and minds  
by the power of your Holy Spirit,  
that, as the Scriptures are read  
and your Word proclaimed,  
we may hear with joy what you say to us today. Amen.**

**\*SCRIPTURE LESSON**

*Matthew 25:31-46*

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<sup>31</sup>“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, then he will sit on the throne of his glory. <sup>32</sup>All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, <sup>33</sup>and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. <sup>34</sup>Then the king will say to those at his right hand, ‘Come, you that are blessed by my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; <sup>35</sup>for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, <sup>36</sup>I was naked and you gave me clothing, I was sick and you took care of me, I was in prison and you visited me.’ <sup>37</sup>Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry and gave you food, or thirsty and gave you something to drink? <sup>38</sup>And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? <sup>39</sup>And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?’ <sup>40</sup>And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’ <sup>41</sup>Then he will say to those at his left hand, ‘You that are accursed, depart from me into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; <sup>42</sup>for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, <sup>43</sup>I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not give me clothing, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.’ <sup>44</sup>Then they also will answer, ‘Lord, when was it that we saw you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not take care of you?’ <sup>45</sup>Then he will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did not do it to one of the least of these, you did not do it to me.’ <sup>46</sup>And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.”

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

**Thanks be to God.**

**SERMON**

*Who was it?*

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*O worship the King, all glorious above,  
O gratefully sing God's power and God's love;  
our shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days,  
pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.*

*O tell of God's might, O sing of God's grace,  
whose robe is the light, whose canopy space,  
who chariots of wrath the deep thunder-clouds form,  
and dark is God's path on the wings of the storm.*

*Thy bountiful care, what tongue can recite?  
it breathes in the air, it shines in the light:  
it streams from the hill, it descends to the plain,  
and sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.*

\*BENEDICTION

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POSTLUDE

*Now Thank We All Our God*

arr. J.S. Bach

\*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

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**Please remember in your prayers:**

Billy Arnold  
Van Askew  
Carolyn Broady  
Annelle Burch  
Joe Byers

Quentin Cash  
Richard Clayton  
Summer Dorsey  
Howard Dunham  
Margaret Grainger

Martha Hale  
Cindy Jennings  
Doris Kerlin  
Lurlene Perry  
Claudia Rhodes

Norma Saunders  
Mabel Wilbanks  
Brad Wilkinson

In Memoriam  
Gary Williams  
November 16, 2020

**Our Christian prayers and sympathy are with**

Barbara (Bobbie) Williams, Joshua and Chelsea Williams, upon the death of Bobbie's husband and Josh and Chelsea's grandfather, Gary Williams, on November 16.

Raymond and Robertine Mitchely upon the death of Raymond's brother, Howard Mitchely, Sr., on November 19.



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