



THE WORSHIP OF GOD
Fayetteville First UMC
Reign of Christ Sunday
November 21, 2021
11:00 AM

GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Rev. Allyson Lawrence
Associate Minister

MUSIC OF PREPARATION

Crown Him with Many Crowns
arr. Jerry Westenkuehler

Mr. Justin Maxey
Director of Music & Organist

***CALL TO WORSHIP**

Psalm 93:1-4

The Rev. Dr. Thomas Martin and **People**
Senior Minister

The LORD is king, he is robed in majesty; the LORD is robed, he is girded with strength.
He has established the world; it shall never be moved;
your throne is established from of old; you are from everlasting.
The floods have lifted up, O LORD, the floods have lifted up their voice; the floods lift up their roaring.
**More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters, more majestic than the waves of the sea,
majestic on high is the LORD!**

***HYMN 327**

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

***INVOCATION**

Dr. Martin

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostles' Creed

Dr. Martin and **People**

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.

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***PASSING OF THE PEACE**

Offer one another signs of reconciliation and love:

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

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

Dr. Martin 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.**

FIRST READING

Revelation 1:4b-8

Dr. Martin

^{4b}Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, ⁵and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, ⁶and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father; to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. ⁷Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will wail. So it is to be. Amen. ⁸“I am the Alpha and the Omega,” says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD’S PRAYER

Dr. Martin

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.

***HYMN 131**

We Gather Together

KREMSER

OFFERTORY PRAYER

Rev. Lawrence

OFFERTORY

Antiphon from Five Mystical Songs
Ralph Vaughan Williams

Chancel Choir

*Let all the world in ev’ry corner sing, “My God and King!”
The heav’ns are not too high, God’s praise may thither fly;
the earth is not too low, God’s praises there may grow.
Let all the world in ev’ry corner sing, “My God and King!”*

*Let all the world in ev’ry corner sing, “My God and King!”
The church with psalms must shout: no door can keep them out.
But, more than all, the heart must bear the longest part.
Let all the world in ev’ry corner sing, “My God and King!”*

***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.

CHILDREN'S MOMENT

Dr. Martin

*Children ages 4 years through 2nd grade are invited to attend Wonders of Worship in Room B225.
Children 3rd grade and older are encouraged to stay in the sanctuary for the service.
The nursery is available for infants through 3 years.*

***GOSPEL READING**

John 18:33-37

Rev. Lawrence

³³Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" ³⁴Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" ³⁵Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" ³⁶Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." ³⁷Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

May God bless the hearing of this scripture.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

Truth and Titles

Rev. Lawrence

***HYMN 102**

Now Thank We All Our God

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***BENEDICTION**

Rev. Lawrence

***BENEDICTION RESPONSE**

*Gloria from Magnificat & Nunc Dimittis in C Major, Op. 115
Charles Villiers Stanford*

Chancel Choir

***POSTLUDE**

*Now Thank We All Our God from Cantata 79
J.S. Bach, arr. Virgil Fox*

Mr. Maxey

*Please stand in body or spirit.

Congregational responses are in **bold type**.

Please remember in your prayers:

Van Askew
Annelle Burch
Joe Byers
Nancy Byers

Richard Clayton
Anne Free
Margaret Grainger
Martha Hale

Chenelle Hernandez
Tangie Hubbard
Cindy Jennings
Doris Kerlin

Claudia Rhodes
Helen Voyles
Mabel Wilbanks
Brad Wilkinson

The flowers in the sanctuary today are presented to the glory of God

and given in memory of David McDuffie's birthday on November 25 by Ralph and Eleanor McDuffie.



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