

A CELEBRATION OF WORSHIP

Christ the King

November 22, 2020

9:00 a.m.

**All who are able may stand.*

Bold type spoken by the congregation

Self-service assistive listening devices are located on top of the bookcase at the rear of the Sanctuary on the Princess Anne St. side.

GATHERING. . .



*Masks are to be worn throughout the service.
Please remain seated for the hymns.*



The Prelude

*Glorious Things of Thee are Spoken
Jubilate Ringers*

Arnold Sherman

The Welcome and Announcements

The Introit

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

The Call To Worship

Be joyful in the Lord, all you lands.

Margaret Rowe, liturgist

We will serve the Lord with gladness and come into the Divine Presence with a song.

Know this: the Lord is God – the One Who made us and to Whom we belong.

We are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.

Enter the gates of the Lord with thanksgiving, and these courts with praise. Give thanks to God,
and call upon the Name of the Lord.

**The Lord is good; God's steadfastness is everlasting and God's faithfulness
endures from age to age.**

The Prayer of Adoration

O God, You are infinite, eternal and unchangeable, glorious in holiness, full of love and compassion, abundant in mercy and truth. All Your works praise You in all places of Your dominion and Your glory is revealed in Jesus Christ our Savior; therefore, we praise You. Assure us of Your guarding presence, as sheep with their shepherd, as we seek to honor You for all Your good works. We ask it in the Name of Your Son, Jesus Christ, our Sovereign, Lord, Whom we worship and adore. Amen.

*The Hymn 385

All People That on Earth Do Dwell

*All people that on earth do dwell, sing to the Lord with cheerful voice;
him serve with mirth, his praise forth tell. Come ye before him and rejoice.*

*Know that the Lord is God indeed; Without our aid He did us make;
we are his folk; he doth us feed, and for his sheep he doth us take.*

*For why? The Lord our God is good; his mercy is forever sure;
his truth at all times firmly stood, and shall from age to age endure.*

The Litany of Confession

You, O Lord, are our strong tower, our refuge and help in every trouble.

**Forgive us when we hide away from the challenges of following Your call,
using Your word to build walls that insulate us from Your world.**

You, O Lord, are everywhere present.

**Forgive us when we want You to walk alongside us, when we ought to ask
for the grace to walk alongside You wherever You are going.**

You, O Lord, are the one who hears and answers our cries.

**Forgive us when our prayer is only self-serving, asking Your stamp of approval or
Your help for our desires, and not for Your glory.**

You, O Lord, are our counselor and comforter.
**Forgives us when we seek to comfort, ignoring what we have done wrong
and refusing to be confronted or challenged.**
You, O Lord, are the One Who calls us to come and follow.
**Forgive our blindness to Your people in need,
our deafness to Your creation groaning for relief,
our hearts hardened against the new thing You are doing...(time for silent confession)... .**
Help us, O God,
**Help us to know You so well that we cannot help but love You, and to love You
so much we cannot help but serve You, sharing Your Good News in every place,
for it is in doing Your will that we find perfect freedom. Amen.**

*The Assurance of Pardon

*The Gloria Patri (spoken)

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: World without end. Amen.**

*The Peace and Greeting

The peace of Christ be with you all. **And also with you!**

(Please stand to greet one another in the name of Christ. For those worshipping at home, please share Christ's peace with someone outside Your home this week.)

TO HEAR THE WORD OF GOD. . .

The Prayer for Illumination

**Come, Spirit of the Lord, and speak through us. Send Your Holy Word to be upon our tongues and
Your gospel upon our hearts. Speak to us, speak through us, speak among us, for we, Your servants,
are listening.**

The Old Testament Lesson: Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24

The Psalter Lesson: Psalm 100

The Epistle Lesson: Ephesians 1:15-23

The Anthem

Rejoice, the Lord is King

Craig Courtney

Patti Kerns, soprano; Mary Ann Casey, alto, Roy Jarnecke, tenor; Larry Casey, bass

Blessed are the people whose God is the Lord, the people He has chosen for His inheritance.

Behold the eye of the Lord is upon them that fear Him,

that hope in His unfailing love to deliver them from famine and death.

Our souls wait for the Lord, our help and our shield, for our hearts shall rejoice as we trust in His holy name.

Let Thy mercy be upon us, even as we hope in Thee,

Rejoice, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King adore! Rejoice, give thanks, and sing, a triumph evermore.

Lift up your heart, Lift up your voice! Rejoice, again I say, rejoice!

Rejoice in glorious hope! Jesus the Judge has come to take His servants up to their eternal home.

We soon shall hear the archangel's voice; the trump of God shall sound, rejoice!

Blessed are the people whose God is the Lord! Amen.

A Moment With the Children

The Gospel Lesson: *Matthew 25:31-46*

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The Sermon

God's Judgment
Brittany Tamminga

TO RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD. . .

The *Apostles' Creed*

**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.**

The Prayers of the People

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.**

TO GO FORTH AND SERVE IN GOD'S NAME. . .

*The Hymn 187

Savior, like a Shepherd Lead Us

*Savior, like a shepherd lead us; much we need your tender care. In your pleasant pastures feed us;
for our use your fold prepare. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us: we are yours.*

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have bought us: we are yours.

*We are yours: in love befriend us; be the guardian of our way. Keep your flock: from sin defend us;
seek us when we go astray. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray.*

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, hear your children when we pray.

*Early let us seek your favor; early let us do your will. Blessed Lord and only Savior,
with your love our spirits fill. Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us; love us still.*

Blessed Jesus, blessed Jesus, you have loved us; love us still.

*The Charge & Benediction

*Postlude

Lead On, O King Eternal!

arr. Robert W. Thygerson



Kindly remain seated during the Postlude.

You will be dismissed by our Safety Ushers from the back to the front of the Sanctuary.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding.



Announcements for November 22-29

God cares about black lives and so do we

The promise of the gospel is that, in Jesus Christ, the “dividing wall” and “hostility” between peoples is broken down (Ephesians 2:14). In order to embody that promise, the church has been called upon at various times to elevate the dignity of particular peoples, affirming the dignity of particular persons whose lives are threatened by adversity and societal sin.

Racism, anti-Blackness, and its violent and discriminatory fruit in our society have been well documented. After many months of deliberation and thoughtful discernment, the Session voted to give public voice to the statement, “God cares about black lives and so do we.” This statement, expressed in a banner that has graced the George Street fence line outside our sanctuary for several months now, is our public commitment to intensify our congregational work of anti-racism. It is an affirmation of what we believe, to be sure, but it also reminds us of the work we have to do.

These banners will be coming down shortly, but our commitment to ministries of healing, reconciliation, and justice shall not waver.

Let us continue to prayerfully point to the work that our society must do so that, according to God’s vision, a day will come when every life will be equally valued and all people can flourish.

Brittany

Reserve Your Seat for Sunday Worship by FRIDAY NOON

If you would like to participate in Worship in the Sanctuary this Sunday, please make a reservation by calling the church office, 540-373-7057, Monday - Friday between 9:00 a.m. and Noon.

You may also make your reservation online by using ACSReservations by clicking on this link: https://secure.accessacs.com/access/login_guest.aspx?sn=90894. This is a new system so don't hesitate to call the church office if you have questions.

Church Family News:

Capsule of Concern: Walker Broyles, Doris Glidden, Doris Gulatsi, Barbara Howe, Kay Lanceley, Karla Lewis, Sharon Moser, Billie Plank, Larry Repanshek, Cindy Watson, Pam Werner

Lectionary Readings for Sunday, November 29:

Isaiah 64:1-9; Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19;
I Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:24-37

Birthdays this week November 22-29

22. David Deaderick, Terry Fellingner,
Clark Hower, Charles McDaniel
23. Joan Dunbar, Grace Hynden, Kathryn Rexrode
24. Jayce Wright
25. Liz Ross, Emily Wright
26. Robert Fidler, Anna Mahon, Jenny Major,
Mike Porter
27. Logan Coddington, Suzie Liverman
28. Rachel Statler
29. Josh Hoover, John Parkinson,
Jim Van Hulzen, Alicia Veil



Weekly Meetings & Activities

- Wed. (11/18) — Meditation Group, 5:30pm (Zoom)
Contact Marsha Lockett (lockett@juno.com).
- Thurs. (11/19) — Women’s Bible Study, 9:30am (Zoom)
Contact Marsha Lockett (lockett@juno.com).
- Handbells, 6pm (Sanct. Balcony)
Adult Choir, 7:30 p.m. (Zoom)
- Sun. (11/22) — Worship, 9am (Sanctuary & Youtube)
Adult Church School Classes—Schedule on page 2
Sacred Dance, 3:30pm (Undercroft)
Middle School Fellowship, 5pm (Zoom)
High School Fellowship, 5:pm (In-person)
- Tues. (11/24) — Men’s Breakfast Group, 7:30am (FH & Zoom)
Contact John Howe (jhowe1969@cox.net).
- Wed. (11/25) — Meditation Group, 5:30pm (Zoom)

Thank for your faithful support of our ongoing ministries. Please send your checks to the church office or give online through our website www.fredericksburgpc.org.

Many, many thanks to all who donated Thanksgiving boxes for families in need who have been identified through the City Schools. If you are interested in helping to distribute boxes to families, join us at Lafayette Upper Elementary this Saturday, November 21, between the hours of 9:30 am and 12:30 pm. Come for an hour or stay for the duration - volunteers of all ages are welcome!



Share a Meal With Your Neighbors--

Thank you to all who have volunteered to bake/donate pies or prepare dinners for the November 21 Community "Dinner." No more pies or dinners are needed! Meals and cookies will be needed for the dinner delivery on December 19. Contact Karen Johnson for more information and to sign up: 540-371-2719, 540-621-5685, ksjohnson422@msn.com.



Service and Mission



Volunteer videographers needed.

No experience required! We are looking to expand our team of videographers that produce the live stream of the services in our Sanctuary for our YouTube channel. Training will be provided. This is a great opportunity for anyone who has an interest in broadcast video production.

Contact Milton McNatt, mmcnatt2@verizon.net, 540-373-2852; Ed Foresman, eforesm@gmail.com, 540-207-1314; or Kris Betsill, kahbets@gmail.com, 202-731-2384.

The Salvation Army is having a Collection Drive for items to be distributed during the holiday season for "Seniors in Need" and children. If you would like to participate, please bring the following items to the Education Building Lobby.

For "Seniors in Need" -- Personal items (hand lotion, shampoo, shaving cream), paper products (paper towels, tissues, toilet paper, wipes), cleaning products (laundry detergent, dish detergent, dryer sheets), and linens (sheets, bath towels, and dish towels).

For children (under 12) -- Art supplies (crayons, coloring pencils, coloring books), puzzles, hair accessories, purses, footballs, basketballs, legos, and coats.

If you have questions, please contact Marsha Lockett, 372-2050. Items will be delivered to the Salvation Army on December 4.

Shopping at Amazon this holiday season? If you shop at AmazonSmile instead of the regular Amazon site and choose Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church as your charity of choice, a portion (0.5%) of eligible products you purchase will automatically go to our church. AmazonSmile is operated by Amazon with the same products, prices, and shopping features as Amazon.com. To date, the AmazonSmile Foundation has contributed over \$200 million to charitable organizations.

To set up Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church as your charity of choice, **1)** log into Amazon Smile (smile.amazon.com) using your Amazon ID and password. **2)** Below the search box, click the down arrow to the right of the Supporting box; **3)** in the box below the "Or pick your own charitable organization," line type "Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church;" **4)** click on the "Search" button. **5)** On the next screen, "Select" Fredericksburg Presbyterian Church.

Please note that this is not an endorsement of Amazon. This action recommendation only is for persons who already shop at Amazon. This program costs nothing and provides a way to help the church's finances. Session thanks you for your consideration and support.

Adult Ministry and Education (Youth participation is welcomed and encouraged)

Holy Disunity: How What Separates Us Can Save Us ~ Sunday – 10:30 a.m. Coordinators: Jim and Patty Toler

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83350523383?pwd=bmdyTTFkZkgyNTh4ZlJzWXR2bm95dz09>

Faith and Movie Class ~ Sunday – 12:00 p.m. Coordinators: Eric and Kathy Rocholl; Marty and Vicky Wilder

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86844083632?pwd=YlZlMjVJT1hnSWg5WHlZeDZ2a0lhUT09>

Parables and Peanuts ~ Sunday – 4:00 p.m. Coordinator: Bill Nix

Zoom Link: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82114607291?pwd=dkZEU2R6eVYrOUVUeHIWYVQ5WWUydz09>