

November 22, 2009 SERVICE OF WORSHIP

11:00 am

Christ the King Sunday

Liturgical Color: White

Preparation for Worship and Announcements

Dr. Mary Lynn Polk, Lay Leader

Lift high the cross, the love of Christ proclaim, till all the world adore his sacred name.

Chiming of the Trinity

Prelude

Prelude on OLD HUNDREDTH

Paul Mickleson

*Call to Worship

John DeLoach, Stewardship Chairperson

Leader: Rejoice in the light of the morning! Give thanks for the sun's energy, even through the clouds.

People: God has spoken to us and meets us here. We live in covenant with the Eternal One.

Leader: Gather in the spirit of Jesus, whose name we bear! Thank God for truth that lives in spite of death!

People: We celebrate the faithful witness of Jesus Christ. We seek to share the good news that Christ reigns.

Leader: The spirit encounters us here that we might learn. The Spirit inspires us that we might serve.

People: God anoints us for ministry, giving us tasks to do. God's word is on our tongues, that the world may believe.

*Hymn No. 715

Rejoice, the Lord Is King

Darwell's 148th

Invocation

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

Speak to us, eternal God, through the representatives you anoint to proclaim your Word. Grant that all in authority will speak truthfully, rule justly, and serve selflessly. Find your dwelling place today, not just in this sanctuary, but in our hearts and lives – and not just today, but every day. Clothe your priests with faithfulness and all your faithful people with garments of joy. May we know your grace and peace as we honor your majesty, bowing in awe before the one who was, and is, and is to come. Amen.

Anthem

Lord, We Give Thanks
Angel Choir

Mark Patterson

Reception of New Members (see insert below)

Old Testament Reading

2 Samuel 23:1-7

Page 371 (OT) in pew Bibles

Epistle Reading

Revelation 1:4b-8

Page 297 (NT) in pew Bibles

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Anthem

It Is Good
Chancel Choir

David Lantz III

Pastoral Prayer

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

Lord's Prayer (In Unison)

Offering

Offertory

We, Thy People, Praise Thee

Charles Callahan

*Doxology No. 94

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

Lasst Uns Erfreuen

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise God, all creatures here below: Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise God, the source of all our gifts! Praise Jesus Christ, whose power uplifts! Praise the Spirit, Holy Spirit! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

*Prayer of Thanksgiving

Children's Message

Myra Schaffer

All children are invited to the front of the Sanctuary for a special message. Following Children's Time, 3-year-olds through Kindergarteners may leave the Sanctuary for Extended Session.

*Passing of the Peace

*Hymn No. 154

All Hail the Power of Jesus Name

Coronation

†*Gospel Lesson

John 18:33-37

Page 138 (NT) in pew Bibles

Leader: The Word of God for the people of God.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

Sermon

"King of Kings"

The Reverend James D. Dennis, Jr.

Harvest Commitment Sunday

*Hymn No. 157

Jesus Shall Reign

Duke Street

*Benediction

*Benediction Response No. 666

Shalom to You

SHALOM

***Shalom to you now, shalom, my friends. May God's full mercies bless you, my friends.
In all your living and through your loving, Christ be your shalom, Christ be your shalom.***

*Postlude

†Sermon Text

**Please stand if you are able*

Nursery Provided

RENUNCIATION OF SIN AND PROFESSION OF FAITH

The pastor addresses the candidates who wish to reaffirm their faith.

Do you truly and earnestly repent of your sins?

I do.

Do you believe in God the Father?

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Do you believe in Jesus Christ?

I believe 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, died, and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come again to judge the living and the dead.

Do you believe in the Holy Spirit?

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.

Do you receive and profess the Christian faith as contained in the Scriptures of the Old and New Testaments?

I do.

Do you promise, according to the grace given you, to keep God's holy will and commandments and walk in the same all the days of your life as faithful members of Christ's holy church?

I do.

COMMENDATION AND WELCOME

Brothers and sisters, I commend to your love and care these persons whom we this day receive into the membership of this congregation. Do all in your power to increase their faith, confirm their hope, and perfect them in love.

The congregation responds:

We rejoice to recognize you as members of Christ's holy church, and bid you welcome to this congregation of The United Methodist Church. With you we renew our vows to uphold it by our prayers, our presence, our gifts, our service, and our witness. With God's help we will so order our lives after the example of Christ that, surrounded by steadfast love, you may be established in the faith, and confirmed and strengthened in the way that leads to life eternal.

Pastoral blessing:

God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit bless, preserve, and keep you, now and evermore.

The people respond: Amen.