

Christ the King Sunday

November 22, 2020 Trinity Presbyterian Church Topeka, KS

GATHERING

We gather as the Body of Christ to Encounter God in worship.

Prelude

Prelude on St. George's Windsor C. Callahan / Brad Stipcak, Organ

CENTERING WORDS

This past year, where have you experienced God's kingdom on earth?

Welcome and Announcements

Barb Koci

Opening Words

Prayer of the Day

Unison

Glorious God, shine upon us with your Spirit of wisdom and truth. Enlighten our hearts. Help us to know the hope to which we are called. Reveal your ways, that we might share hope and joy in all that we do, and all that we say. In the light of Christ's love, we pray. Amen.

Musical Interlude

Meditation on Come Ye Thankful People, Come C. Callahan /Brad Stipcak, Organ

Call to Confession

Unison Prayer of Confession

Congregation

God of glory, we do not always see your glory in the world around us. When we see a person in need, it is not easy to look him in the eye. When we hear a cry for help, it is not easy to offer her quick assurance. When we know of a lonely prisoner, it is not easy to make that unannounced visit.

Forgive us when we fail to see you in our everyday lives. Forgive us when we are afraid to act, afraid to care. Encourage us, God of glory. Help us to see others with the eyes of compassion, that we might be your loving presence in the world. Amen. (time for silent prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

Thanks be to God.

THE WORD

The Word of God in scripture and interpreted in proclamation is the center of worship.

Prayer of Illumination

First Lesson Ephesians 1: 15-17

I have heard of your faith in the Lord Jesus and your love towards all the saints, and for this reason I do not cease to give thanks for you as I remember you in my prayers. I pray that the God of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of glory, may give you a spirit of wisdom and revelation as you come to know him, so that, with the eyes of your heart enlightened, you may know what is the hope to which he has called you, what are the riches of his glorious inheritance among the saints, and what is the immeasurable greatness of his power for us who believe, according to the working of his great power.

God put this power to work in Christ when he raised him from the dead and seated him at his right hand in the heavenly places, far above all rule and authority and power and dominion, and above every name that is named, not only in this age but also in the age to come. And he has put all things under his feet and has made him the head over all things for the church, which is his body, the fullness of him who fills all in all.

Thanks be to God

Special Music Kinderszenen, Op. 15: No. 1. Von fremden Ländern und Menschen R. Schumann / Karl Page, Cello Jaron Marcus, Piano

Second Lesson Matthew 25: 31-46

'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. 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, and he will put the sheep at his right hand and the goats at the left. 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; 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, 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."

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? And when was it that we saw you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and gave you clothing? And when was it that we saw you sick or in prison and visited you?" 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." 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; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, 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." 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?"

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." And these will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life.'

This is the Gospel of Our Lord.

Praise to you, O Christ.

Sermon

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan

RESPONSE TO THE WORD

We respond to the Word of God in prayer and by offering ourselves and our Substance.

Prayers of the People

Invitation to the Offering

Offertory

"Suite No. 6" from *Children's Corner*C. Debussy /Karl Page, Cello
Jaron Marcus, Piano

*Prayer of Dedication and 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.

Sending Forth
Worship Equips Us To Go Forth To Serve God In The World.

*Charge and Blessing

*Postlude

Now Thank We All Our God arr. V. Labenske / Jaron Marcus, Piano

~Please rise in body or in spirit.

Participating in Worship Leadership:

Rev. Meredith Kemp-Pappan, Presider Barb Koci, Liturgist Brad Stipcak, Dir. of Music, Organ Jaron Marcus, Piano Karl Page, Cello Anton Ahrens, Audio/Visual Tech Peter Sandquist, Audio/Visual Editing Tech

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