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CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

November 21, 2021

Whether you are a member or a visitor, whether you are in person or online*, we hope you will sense God's presence and be open to God's blessing through the service we share this morning.

Children's bulletins and large-print Orders of Worship are available from our ushers.

The asterisk (*) is an invitation for the congregation to stand, in body or spirit, as you are able.

Following the service, please join us on the front porch for lemonade and a time of church family fellowship.

As you enter the Sanctuary or look at the links beneath the YouTube window, you will find opportunities to submit a prayer request to be shared by the pastor during the "Prayers of the Community of Faith." Alternatively, you may personally voice your prayer request at that time or type it into the chat window on YouTube.

**During the livestream service, our cameras can capture almost every person in the sanctuary. If you would prefer to stay out of the camera's eye, you're encouraged to sit in the back pews on the pulpit side of the sanctuary.*

WE GATHER IN GOD'S NAME

THE GATHERING

Joanne Maher, Organist

If you are with us this morning in person, please note that mid-Michigan is in "high" transmission status for Covid-19. As we gather together, we pray you are able to use this time to fall freely into a spirit of worship, while staying mindful of safety protocols:

1. *Masks are required at all times in the presence of others when inside*
2. *Please respect social distancing and try to avoid close proximity with those outside of your household. If you would like to shake hands, hug or enter another's personal space, please ask for permission, being considerate of each other's comfort levels.*

*Regardless of transmission status, this is the day that the Lord has made.
Let us rejoice and be glad in it!*

WESTMINSTER CHIMES AND WELCOME

Rev. Ben Rumbaugh

PRELUDE

Trio on "Coronation"

arranged by David Lasky

*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 93)

Liturgist Andy Corner will lead the south/pulpit side; Rev. Ben Rumbaugh will lead the north/piano side

South: The Lord is king, robed in majesty;

North: the Lord is robed, girded with strength.

**All: The Lord has established the world; it shall never be moved;
your throne is established from of old;
you are from everlasting.**

South: The floods have lifted up, O Lord,

North: the floods have lifted up their voice;

All: the floods lift up their roaring.

South: More majestic than the thunders of mighty waters,

North: more majestic than the waves of the sea,

All: majestic on high is the Lord!

**Your decrees are very sure;
holiness befits your house,
O Lord, forevermore!**

*HYMN #263

All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Eternal God, we confess that we have failed to seek your will. You come to us in glory, yet we hide our faces from you. You speak to us in truth, yet we close our hearts to your word. Forgive us, God of grace. Release us from sin, restore our lives, and rule in our hearts, this day and always; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

(silence for personal confession)

*KYRIE #437

You are the Lord, Giver of Mercy

*ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Friends, believe the good news of the gospel.

In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven.

*RESPONSE #363, v.1

Rejoice the Lord is King

*PASSING OF THE PEACE

The Peace of Christ be with you,

and also with you.

WE HEAR GOD'S WORD

A TIME WITH OUR CHILDREN

RESPONSE #188

Jesus Loves You!

Following the Children's Sermon, children and youth 4th grade and younger are invited to make their way to their respective Christian Education opportunities as described in the Chanter.

SCRIPTURE READING

John 18:33-38a

New Testament p. 138

This is the Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SERMON

"Born for This!"

Rev. Kirk R. Miller

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM

Now Let Us All Praise God and Sing

arr. by Gordon Young

FPC-Holt Chancel Choir

Cera Babb, Conductor

Mira Choi, Collaborative Pianist

THE OFFERING OF OUR GIFTS AND TITHES

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OFFERTORY

Tune on "Converse"

arr. by Jason Toniolo

*RESPONSE #369, v.1

Blessing and Honor

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY OF FAITH & THE LORD'S PRAYER

We pray to the Lord.

Lord, hear our 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.

WE TAKE GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

*HYMN #268

Crown Him with Many Crowns

*CHARGE & BENEDICTION

RESPONSE #232, v.2&4

Jesus Christ Is Risen Today

*POSTLUDE

Lift Every Voice and Sing

arr. by Michael Ryan



We give thanks to God for today's livestream production crew (AJ Hill, Brian Lloyd, Don Parry) and to our pastoral team (Seminary Pastoral Intern Heather Thum-Gerber and Revs. Kirk Miller and Ben Rumbaugh).

THE RUAH* (FPC-HOLT YOUNG PEOPLE'S INSTRUMENTAL ENSEMBLE)

Elise Antieau, Trumpet
Ethan Antieau, Horn
Eric Ferrara, Trombone
Sophie Miller, Oboe
Connor Scarborough-Lamb, Clarinet
Jake Stokes, Timpani

*The liturgical art installation for this Christ the King Sunday is the product of a YIA conversation with Cheryl Gamber on liturgical space and the power of art within it. We thank God for working through Norah Brand, Breanna Carr, Tyler Wood and Cheryl Gamber to inspire our worship.