Christ the King Sunday Service of Word November 23, 2025 | 11:00AM

GATHERING IN PRAISE

The Chiming of the Worship Hour

The Welcome and Announcements

The Prelude

"Now Thank We All Our God"

arr. Cook

The Introit

"Praise and Thanksgiving"

Alsatian Round

The Opening Prayer

*The Hymn of Praise

"The Church's One Foundation"

No. 545 (vs. 1, 4, 5)

The Children's Moments

The Intercessory Prayers

The light of Christ. Thanks be to God.

Lord in your mercy, hear our prayer.

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 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.

*The Congregational Hymn

"Let There Be Peace on Earth"

No. 431

The Stewardship Witness

Bob Seitz

The Giving of God's Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory

"Must Jesus Bear the Cross Alone"

arr. Cook

The Doxology

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE WORD

*The Psalter

Psalm 99

No. 819

*The Prayer for Illumination

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.

*The Scripture Lesson

Matthew 10:34-42

Leader: This is the Word of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

The Anthem

"Peaceful Spirit Medley"

arr. Mauldin

The Sermon

"Did Jesus Come to Bring Peace or a Sword?"

RESPONDING IN FAITH

*The Apostles' Creed

No. 881

*The Gloria Patri

*The Hymn of Invitation

"This Is My Song"

No. 437 (vs. 1, 3)

SENDING FORTH

*The Congregational Blessing

The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord make his face to shine upon you and be gracious unto you.

The Lord lift up his countenance upon you and give you peace.

*The Benediction

"Grace, Love, and Fellowship"

Fettke

*Postlude

"Rejoice, the Lord Is King"

arr. Berry

The flowers on the altar are dedicated to the Glory of God and given in loving memory of Louise Campbell, Elaine Jones and Frances Lamon by Julie Gray.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thanksgiving Holidays

- The church office will close at noon on Tuesday, November 25th. We will resume regular operating hours on Monday, December 1st.
- Our Wednesday communion service will resume at noon on December 3.
- Our youth and children's programming will resume regular activities on December 3.

Hanging of the Greens – We will begin Advent next Sunday morning (Nov. 30) with a service that helps us remember the important symbols in our seasonal decorations.

Poinsettias - The Judy Shirley Circle will be selling poinsettias for \$20 to raise funds for their mission projects. The deadline to purchase is December 1st.

Christmas Treats for Shut-ins – In December we supplement our usual Christ at Home meal with small casseroles, desserts and other treats for the 15 members of our church family that benefit from this ministry. We would appreciate your help with preparing these items. Prepared foods can be stored in the freezer at the church or brought to the church at 9am on December 3rd. Please contact Stacy if you are willing to help or need more details.

Music Coterie Christmas Program – The Music Coterie will present their annual Christmas program on Thursday, December 4th at 7:00 pm in our sanctuary. Everyone is invited.

Christmas Reception – Caroline Harrell will host a Christmas reception at her home at 349 Harrell Drive on Sunday, December 7th, from 4:00 until 6:00 pm. Please plan to attend this special event.

Choir Christmas Program – The choir Christmas program will be Sunday, December 14th, at 2:00 pm. A reception will be held in the Fellowship Hall following the program. Everyone is invited to attend.

