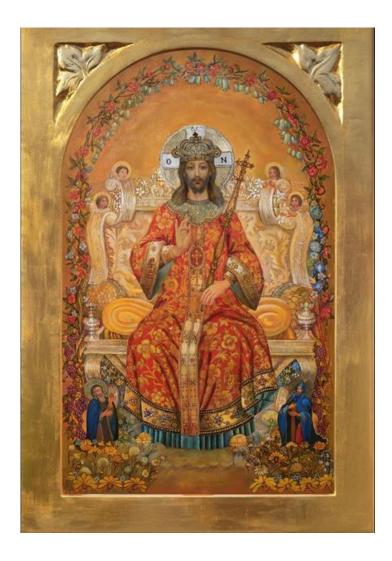
Immanuel Presbyterian Church



Traditional Worship Service *Christ the King Sunday* November 20, 2022 11:00am

Discovering and displaying Christ in here and out there

CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S DAY

(*Please stand as you are able)

CHIMING OF THE TRINITY

WESTMINSTER SEQUENCE

WELCOME

THANKSGIVING PRAYER

PRELUDE

Come, Ye Thankful People Come

Harold Rutz

*CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 46

- One: God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble. All: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea.
- One: The nations are in an uproar; the kingdoms totter; he utters his voice; the earth melts.
- All: "Be still, and know that I am God! I am exalted among the nations; I am exalted in the earth."

One: The Lord of hosts is with us; the God of Jacob is our refuge.

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CALL TO CONFESSION

Col. 1: 13-14

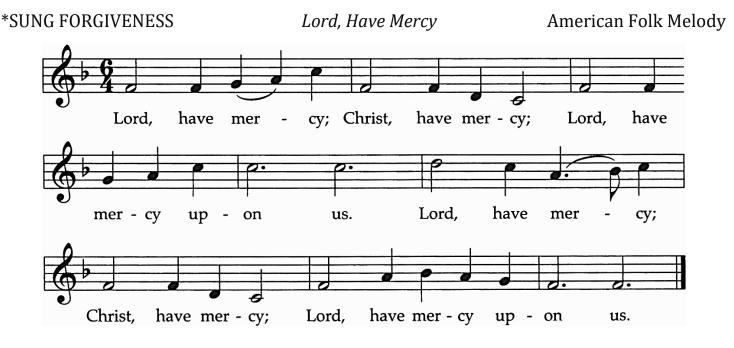
One: The apostle Paul assures us that we have been rescued from the power of darkness, and transferred into the kingdom of God's beloved Son, in whom we have redemption, the forgiveness of sins. Assured by this promise, let us confess our sins before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

All: Holy God, we confess that we have neglected to declare Jesus the king and model for our lives. We have been quick to call on others to follow the ways of Christ yet slow to do the same. We have been bold in demanding generosity, mercy, and forgiveness yet quiet when it comes to offering grace, love, and compassion. Forgive us, O God. Restore in us, yet again, the commitment to be more Christlike in word, in deed, and in spirit. Amen.

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

- One: All things, in heaven and on earth, are reconciled to God in Jesus Christ. Forgiveness is ours through faith in the Lord, in whom God was pleased to dwell. Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.
- All: Thanks be to God!



CHILDREN'S MESSAGE

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

NEW TESTAMENT READING

Luke 23: 33-43 NRSVue

³³ When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴ Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵ And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶ The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷ and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸ There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹ One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰ But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation? ⁴¹ And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴² Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." ⁴³ He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

One: The grass withers and the flower fades, but the Word of God endures forever.

All: Thanks be to God!

Col. 1: 20

SERMON

*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

Brief Statement of Faith

All: We trust in Jesus Christ, fully human, fully God. Jesus proclaimed the reign of God: preaching good news to the poor and release to the captives, teaching by word and deed and blessing the children, healing the sick and binding up the brokenhearted, eating with outcasts, forgiving sinners, and calling all to repent and believe the gospel. Unjustly condemned for blasphemy and sedition, Jesus was crucified, suffering the depths of human pain and giving his life for the sins of the world. God raised this Jesus from the dead, vindicating his sinless life, breaking the power of sin and evil, delivering us from death to life eternal.

*HYMN	O Worship the King, All Glorious Above!	Robert Grant	
OFFERTORY	Crown of Thorns, Crown of Glory	Thomas Kelly	
*DOXOLOGY	Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow	No. 592	

*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

All: Holy God, you have looked upon your people with mercy, generosity, and love. You have granted your favor to your people, offering them redemption, salvation, and wisdom. And so we offer these gifts for your hurting and broken world. May they be multiplied to do your service. May we be strengthened to do your work. In the name of Jesus the Christ, who multiplied small gifts and fed multitudes. Amen.

PRAYERS FOR THE PEOPLE

One: Lord your kingdom come in us

All: as it is in heaven.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

All: 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.

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*CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

*POSTLUDE

Praise, My Soul, the King of Heaven

John Goss

Participants:

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