## THE ORDER OF MORNING WORSHIP

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Christ the King / Reign of Christ

11:00 a.m.

PRAYER OF PREPARATION

GATHERING AROUND GOD'S WORD

WELCOME

PRELUDE Crown Him with Many Crowns

INTROIT The Lord Will Bless His People with His Peace (from Psalm 29)

M. Guimont

Harper Grizzle, soloist

\*CALL TO WORSHIP

(Adapted from Luke 1:68-79)

Leader: Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for God has looked with favor upon us.

People: Our God has raised up a mighty Savior for us in the house of David.

Leader: And You, O Christ, will be called the prophet of the Most High;

People: For You will go before the Lord to prepare God's way;

Leader: To give knowledge of salvation to his people by the forgiveness of their sins.

People: By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us;

Leader: To give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death;

People: To guide our feet into the way of peace.

\*HYMN #155 Rejoice, the Lord is King DARWALL'S 148th

verses 1 and 2

CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

O Lord of all creation: we confess that we are guilty of self-righteousness. We have believed that we alone are Your faithful people, and that Your kingdom would fail without us. We have pretended to be lords within Your own sovereign domain. Have mercy upon us, O God. May Your Holy Spirit remind us that we have many partners in ministry. Strengthen us that we may serve You and Your people. Make us Your faithful subjects through the resurrection of Christ our King, in Whose name we pray. Amen.

SILENT CONFESSION

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

**KYRIE #572** 

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

\*\*\* PROCLAIMING GOD'S WORD

ANTHEM Count Your Blessings Oatman/Excell

Children and Youth Choir, Isaac Brooks, director

WORDS WITH OUR YOUNG CHURCH

ANTHEM Lift Up Your Heads, O Gates A. Hammerschmidt

Isaac Brooks, director

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

SCRIPTURE Luke 23:33-43 New Testament, p. 68

Pastor: The Word of the Lord. **People: Thanks Be to God.** 

SERMON "The Revised Kingdom" Rev. Curtis Christian

## RESPONDING TO GOD'S WORD

\*AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

The Nicene Creed

We believe in one God, the Father, the Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, and of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ, the only Son of God, eternally begotten of the Father, God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, of one Being with the Father, through him all things were made. For us and our salvation, he came down from heaven, was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became truly human. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate; he suffered death and was buried. On the third day he rose again in accordance with the Scriptures; he ascended into heaven and is seated on the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and his kingdom will have no end.

We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father (and the Son), who with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church. We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins. We look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come. Amen.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE #579

Gloria Patri

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

OFFERINGS FOR THE MINISTRY OF THE CHURCH

OFFERTORY Come Thou, Almighty King

ITALIAN HYMN Old Hundredth

\*DOXOLOGY #592

\*PRAYER OF DEDICATION
THE SACRAMENT OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The Invitation to the Lord's Table

The Great Prayer of Thanksgiving

The Words of Institution

The Administration of the Elements

## BEARING GOD'S WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN #555 Now Thank We All Our God NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

verses 1 and 3

CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

CHORAL BENEDICTION Hope of the World DONNE SECOURS

\*POSTLUDE

\*\*\*Late Arrivals Seated

<sup>\*</sup>Those who are able, please stand