

Christ the King Sunday

November 24, 2019

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS..... Rev. Josh Powers

CONGREGATIONAL CONCERNS AND THANKSGIVINGS

PRELUDE

OPENING PRAYER AND LORD'S PRAYER.....Pastor and Congregation

CALL TO WORSHIP

PASTOR: The law of the Lord is perfect, reviving the soul;

CONGREGATION: The precepts of the Lord are right, rejoicing the heart;

PASTOR: The ordinances of the Lord are true, and righteous altogether.

CONGREGATION: More to be desired are they than gold, even much fine gold.

PASTOR: Sweeter also than honey and the drippings of honeycomb.

ALL: Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be acceptable in Your sight, O Lord, my rock and my redeemer. Amen.

CHORAL CALL TO WORSHIP... "Sing Hallelujah to the Lord"Congregation

Sing hallelujah to the Lord; Sing hallelujah to the Lord;

Sing hallelujah, sing hallelujah; Sing hallelujah to the Lord.

SCRIPTURE LESSON ... *Selections from 2 Kings 22 & 23* Reggie Jackson

Josiah was eight years old when he began to reign; he reigned thirty-one years in Jerusalem.

When the king heard the words of the book of the law, he tore his clothes. "Go, inquire of the Lord for me, for the people, and for all Judah, concerning the words of this book that has been found; for great is the wrath of the Lord that is kindled against us, because our ancestors did not obey the words of this book, to do according to all that is written concerning us."... "Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Tell the man who sent you to me, Thus says the Lord, I will indeed bring disaster on this place and on its inhabitants—all the words of the book that the king of Judah has read. Because they have abandoned me and have made offerings to other gods, so that they have provoked me to anger with all the work of their hands, therefore my wrath will be kindled against this place, and it will not be quenched. But as to the king of Judah, who sent you to inquire of the Lord, thus shall you say to him, Thus says the Lord, the God of Israel: Regarding the words that you have heard, because your heart was penitent, and you humbled yourself before the Lord, when you heard how I spoke against this place, and against its inhabitants, that they should become a desolation and a curse, and because you have torn your clothes and wept before me, I also have heard you, says the Lord. Therefore, I will gather you to your ancestors, and you shall be gathered to your grave in peace; your eyes shall not see all the disaster that I will bring on this place." They took the message back to the king.

Then the king directed that all the elders of Judah and Jerusalem should be gathered to him. The king went up to the house of the Lord, and with him went all the people of Judah, all the inhabitants of Jerusalem, the priests, the prophets, and all the people, both small and great; he read in their hearing all the words of the book of the covenant that had been found in the house of the Lord. The king stood by the pillar and made a covenant before the Lord, to follow the Lord,

keeping his commandments, his decrees, and his statutes, with all his heart and all his soul, to perform the words of this covenant that were written in this book. All the people joined in the covenant.

HYMN ... "Ancient Words".....31

CHILDREN'S MESSAGE..... Sylvia McAlister

PRAYER OF CONFESSION Pastor and Congregation

Gracious God, our sins are too heavy to carry, too real to hide, and too deep to undo. Forgive what our lips tremble to name, what our hearts can no longer bear, and what has become for us a consuming fire of judgment. Set us free from a past that we cannot change; open to us a future in which we can be changed; and grant us grace to grow more and more in your likeness and image, through Jesus Christ, the light of the world. Amen.

Hear the Good News, in the name of Jesus, you are forgiven.

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MORNING PRAYER Pastor

OFFERTORY HYMN... "Let Your Heart Be Broken"...vs. 1, 2 and 4 658

OFFERTORY PRAYER Usher

OFFERTORY

RESPONSIVE READING Adapted from "Bricks and Mortar, Hands and Labor"..... 534

PASTOR: Bricks and mortar, hands and labor, day by day a building raise; but the church of Christ our Savior grows with worship, work, and praise.

CONGREGATION: We covenant with you, O Lord, and with each other.

PASTOR: For the dreamers, still among us who can see what's yet to be; for the workers and the planners who make real the dreams we see.

CONGREGATION: We covenant with you, O Lord, and with each other.

PASTOR: May these walls become a shelter rest along the journey's way; holy space where grace is practiced, welcome space where love hold sway.

ALL: We covenant with you, O Lord, and with each other.

ANTHEM

SERMON Pastor

CLOSING HYMN... "Will You Come and Follow Me"... vs. 1 & 2..... 473

BENEDICTION Pastor

SHARING LOVE AND PEACE

POSTLUDE

FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly budget needs ... \$2,398.00

Monthly budget needs\$10,393.00

Last week's offering\$1,226.00

October offering\$9,801.00

Deficit to date...\$9,298.00

CALENDAR

TODAY

6:00 PM..... Choir Practice

NO WEDNESDAY NIGHT ACTIVITIES

THURSDAY

1 – 4 PM..... Community Thanksgiving Meal

USHERS

TODAY..... Jerry Smith’s Team

NEXT SUNDAY Eugene Crisco’s Team

CHILDREN’S CHURCH

TODAY..... Candy and Elizabeth Loflin

NEXT SUNDAY Barbara Smith, Mary Williams, & Angel Robinson

UPCOMING ACTIVITIES

Nov. 28: Community Thanksgiving from 1 PM to 4 PM

Dec. 11: Christmas Caroling at 6:30 PM

Dec. 14: Live Nativity from 6-8 PM

Dec. 19: Community Christmas Concert at 7 PM

Dec. 22: Church Christmas Concert & Party at 6 PM

Dec. 24: Christmas Eve Service at 5:30 PM

PRAYER LIST

<i>Church family:</i> Wayne Abbott, Eddie and Sharon Reynolds, Katelyn Reynolds, Linda McNeill, George Lythacum			Candy/Rodney Loflin	John Covington	brother
<i>At Home:</i> Helen Greene, Irene Warner, Karen Dailey, Janet Maness				Curtis Holt	friend
<i>Friends and Relatives of:</i>				Wesley Culler	friend
Molly/Wayne Abbott	Monnie Jenkins	friend		Lois Loflin	mother
	Tony Lawson	friend	Max/Jane Luquire	Jo Brooks	friend
	Toni Atchison	sister	Barbara Lythacum	J.D. Thompson	nephew
	Tammy Laprade	sister		Melissa Green	daughter
Rebecca/Jimmy Blake	Jennifer Blake Hoyos	daughter	Jean Maness	Carol Luther	friend
Sheila Capel	Ada Capel	mother	Sylvia McAlister	Tammy Parker	friend
Jane Covington	Faye Thomas	sister	Tim/Julie McCaskill	Joel McCaskill	father
	Pete Thomas	brother-in-law	Pat/Bob Morgan	Jesse Wallace	friend
	Lee Kasik	grandson-in-law	Nancy Ruppert	Marie Spoon	sister
Ernest , Karen Dailey	Judy and Estella	daughters	Barbara Smith	Laura Wilson	friend
Mary James	Benny McBride	friend		Doris Hinson	friend
	Bob Moore	nephew	Betty Green	Beth Kearns	friend
	Pam, Ken Morgan	niece, nephew	Jean Smith	Hazel Greene	sister
	Don Britt	nephew		Genelle Greene	
			<i>Service Personnel:</i> Seth Spivey		