

A Service for the Worship of God
Eight Thirty and Eleven O'Clock
November 22, 2009
Christ the King Sunday

WELCOME AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you.
And also with you.
Let us worship God.

GATHERING

CHIMES (The congregation is asked to pray for the blessing of God upon this service.)

God of power, may the boldness of your Spirit transform us, the gentleness of your Spirit lead us, and the gifts of your Spirit be our goal and our strength. Amen.

PRELUDE

Built on a Rock

Wilbur Held

INTROIT

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

The Chapel Choir - The Sanctuary Choir

Crown Him with many crowns,
The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark, how the heavenly anthem drowns
All music but its own!

Awake, my soul, and sing
Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King
Through all eternity.

†CALL TO WORSHIP

How good it is to sing praises to our God,
how pleasing to honor the Lord with praise!

**The Lord heals the broken hearted
and binds up their wounds.**

The Lord counts the number of the stars
and calls them all by their names.

**Great is our Lord and mighty in power,
whose wisdom is beyond limit.**

**Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving.
Alleluia! Alleluia! Amen.**

†OPENING HYMN, No. 150 *Come, Christians, Join to Sing* MADRID

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

**Righteous and Everlasting God,
we come before you on our behalf, pleading your mercy.
Even though Jesus is our Lord, we are slow to acknowledge his rule,
and too easily pledge our allegiance to the powers of this world.
Forgive us.**

**God of the nations, we come before you on behalf of all people,
pleading your mercy. This world fails to be governed
by your justice and love, instead pursuing
all those things which lead to death.
Forgive all the people of the earth.**

**Have mercy upon us, and upon every nation,
until that day dawns when love and justice shall embrace,
and heaven and nature sing of your glory,
honor, dominion, and power.**

(Continue your personal prayer of confession in silence)

KYRIE ELEISON

Congregation and Choir

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

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

†ACT OF PRAISE

Gloria Patri

MEINEKE

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost:

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, Amen.

†PASSING OF THE PEACE

Stand, as you are able, and greet one another saying: *“The peace of Christ be with you.”* Respond by saying:
“And also with you.”

THE WORD

A TIME WITH CHILDREN

*Children who will be going to Extended Session (K-3 and younger) and to the Children's
Worship Center (K-4 through Second Grade) may exit at this time through the door to the right
of the chancel in the front of the church, where they will be will escorted to the CE Building.*

Children: God be with you as you stay.

Congregation: God be with you as you go.

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING 2 Samuel 23:1-7

Pew Bible, page 286; large print, page 371
(Bibles are located in the racks beneath the pews.)

ANTHEM

Welcome, Every Guest Sacred Harp, arr. Robert Glick

The Chapel Choir - The Sanctuary Choir

Trio: Kevin Doherty, Kathleen Jasinskas, Kristen DiNinno

Welcome, every guest, to our music feast.
Music is our hearty cheer,
Fills both soul and ravished ear.
Spirit wise, teach us the mood,
Sweetest notes to be explored.
Softly swells the trembling air,
To complete our concert fair.
Let the whole creation cry
Glory to the Lord on high.
Heaven and earth awake and sing,
“Praise Him, our almighty King.”
Praise Him, angel hosts above,

Ever bright and fair in love.
Sun and moon, lift up your voice.
Night and stars in God rejoice.
Men and women, young and old,
Raise the anthem loud and bold.
And let children's happy hearts
In this worship take their parts.
From the North to Southern Pole,
Let the mighty chorus roll;
Holy, holy, Holy One;
Glory be to God alone.

PSALTER READING Psalm 132:1-12

Pew Bible, page 542; large print, page 706

NEW TESTAMENT READING John 18:33-37

Pew Bible, page 103; large print, page 138

This is the word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON ***God's Mighty Claim Upon Our Whole Life***

Rev. Pendleton Peery

OUR RESPONSE TO GOD

†AFFIRMATION OF FAITH

from *The Theological Declaration at Barmen*

As Jesus Christ is God's assurance of the forgiveness of all our sins, so in the same way and with the same seriousness is he also God's mighty claim upon our whole life. Through him befalls us a joyful deliverance from the godless fetters of this world for a free, grateful service to his creatures.

We reject the false doctrine, as though there were areas of our life in which we would not belong to Jesus Christ, but to other lords - areas in which we would not need justification and sanctification through him.

†HYMN, No. 155 *Rejoice, the Lord Is King*

DARWALL'S 148TH

RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP & INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

Lord, in your mercy,
Hear our prayer.

PRESENTATION OF OUR OFFERING

Offertory *Alleluia! Sing to Jesus!* Paul Manz

†Doxology, No. 592 OLD HUNDREDTH

†Prayer of Dedication

†HYMN, No. 142 *All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name!*

DIADEM

†CHARGE AND BENEDICTION

†RESPONSE *Ride On, King Jesus!* African-American Spiritual

Kristen DiNinno, soloist

Ride on, King Jesus! No one can-a hinder me.

†POSTLUDE

Built on a Rock Flor Peeters

† Worshipers standing if able.

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God
and in loving memory of Lon Stephens Heuer
by his family.

Elder Reader:

11:00 a.m. Mary Anne Selber

Ushers:

8:30 a.m. Doug Black, Henry Smith

11:00 a.m. Mary Anne Selber, Robin Jones, Lisa Schrott, Julie Roper, Carol Shockey, Susie Nunnally

Children's Worship Center: 11:00 a.m. Anita Parish, Julia Knight

Extended Session: 11:00 a.m. Jamie Ogilvie, Eydie Comeaux

Acolytes: 11:00 a.m. Mary North Jones, Carl Hodgson