# MORNING WORSHIP

November 25, 2018 Half past Ten O'Clock

# Christ the King Sunday

When the music begins, please prepare for worship through silent prayer and meditation. Following the service, greet one another with joy and affection!

# **GATHERING AROUND THE WORD**

TIME OF MEDITATION AND REFLECTION

+WELCOME AND NOTICES

PRELUDE O God, Thou Bountiful God Sigfrid Karg-Elert

INTROIT Praise My Soul, the King of Heaven LAUDA ANIMA

\*CALL TO WORSHIP (Unison)

Psalm 46

Leader: God is our refuge and our strength, an ever-present help in distress.

People: Though the earth trembles, and mountains slide into the sea, we will not fear.

Leader: Waters may rise and roar, and mountains shake at their surging; but the God of hosts,

our stronghold, is with us. Even if nations are in chaos, and kingdoms fall,

God's voice resounds; the earth melts away.

People: God, our stronghold, is with us.

Leader: Come! See the deeds of the Most High; God has stopped wars; breaking bows,

splintering spears, burning the shields with fire. "Be still and know that I am God,

exalted among the nations, exalted upon the earth!"

People: The Most High is with us; our stronghold is the God of Israel.

+\* HYMN 151 Crown Him with Many Crowns DIADEMATA

\*CALL TO CONFESSION

\*LITANY OF CONFESSION (Unison)

Luke 23, Matthew 27

Leader: The assembly rose and brought Jesus before Pilate. They began to accuse him, saying,

'We found this man perverting our nation, forbidding us to pay taxes to the emperor,

and saying that he himself is the Messiah, a king.' Then Pilate asked him,

'Are you the king of the Jews?' He answered, 'You say so.'

People: Righteous God, You have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not

bowed before him, and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of

this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love.

Leader: They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him, and then twisted together a crown of thorns

and set it on his head. They put a staff in his right hand. Then they knelt in front of him and mocked him. "Hail, king of the Jews!" they said. They spit on him, and took the staff

and struck him on the head again and again.

All: In Your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim You as ruler of all, that we may be

loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.

\*WORDS OF ASSURANCE

Leader: Friends, Believe the Good News of the Gospel!

People: In Jesus Christ, we are forgiven!

1 Peter 1:3

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FOR SEBASTIAN WILLIAM HACKMAN

Steve Randall, Assisting Elder

Hymnal, p. 14

+Invitation to Baptism

The Meaning of Baptism

Questions to the Parents and to the Congregation

\*Affirmation of Faith (Unison) The Apostles' Creed

Prayer and the Act of Baptism

Greeting a Child of God

Leader: Sebastian William Hackman is now identified as a child of God in Christ's Church. Through

Baptism, God has put His seal upon Sebastian to share with us all the benefits of Christ's sacrifice. Let us be supportive of Brian and Tate as they nurture Sebastian and assist him to

be a faithful disciple.

People: With joy and thanksgiving, we welcome Sebastian into Christ's Church, for we are all one

in Christ. We promise to love, encourage and support you, to share the good news of

God's love with you, and to celebrate with you God's unfolding blessings.

\*HYMN 492 Baptized in Water BUNESSAN

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit, Cleansed by the blood of Christ, our King; Heirs of salvation, Trusting the promise, Faithfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit, Dead in the tomb with Christ, our King; One with His rising, Freed and forgiven, Thankfully now God's praises we sing.

Baptized in water, Sealed by the Spirit, Marked with the sign of Christ, our King; Born of the Spirit, We are God's children, Joyfully now God's praises we sing.

#### PROCLAIMING THE WORD

A MESSAGE FOR YOUNG DISCIPLES

Kim Lee

Immediately following Message for Young Disciples, kindergarteners and first graders are invited to the Chapel. They will return to the Sanctuary during the Doxology.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Matthew 25:31-46, pew Bible, p. 904

SERMON "Love and Power"

Lori Raible

### RESPONDING TO THE WORD

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE, CONCLUDING WITH THE LORD'S PRAYER

INVITATION TO DISCIPLESHIP AND CALL TO OFFERING

PRESENTATION OF TITHES AND GIFTS

OFFERTORY ANTHEM

Praise the Lord! Ye Heavens, Adore Him

Craig Courtney

\*DOXOLOGY (Hymn 592)

OLD HUNDREDTH

#### \*PRAYER OF DEDICATION

God of all good gifts, grant us the peace that only the Prince of Peace can provide. Grant that our lives would be an offering, and our work would be expressions of gratitude. We look to You, our Prophet, Priest and King, to rule the world with justice, and to give salvation to all who call upon You. Amen.

## BEARING AND FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

\*HYMN 155 Rejoice, the Lord Is King DARWALL'S 148TH

\*BENEDICTION

\*CHORAL RESPONSE Lord Jesus, Think on Me SOUTHWELL

\*POSTLUDE Now Thank We All Our God Sigfrid Karg-Elert

(\*) Those who are able, please stand

+) Ushers will seat worshipers

#### SELWYN AVENUE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH WARMLY WELCOMES ALL WHO VISIT

Please take a moment to sign the registry of friendship as it is passed along your pew so that you may be greeted and greet others by name. If you are actively searching for a new church home, we invite you to fill out the card in the pew rack and place it in the offering plate.

Membership is by one of three paths: 1) profession of faith in Jesus Christ (for those who have never been part of a Christian church);
2) re-affirmation of faith (for those who formerly were part of a congregation but have not been involved in recent times - for example, you were baptized and/or confirmed but moved and never engaged with a new congregation); or 3) transfer of membership from another congregation (your membership is with another church).

New members and prospective members are invited to participate in Orientation Classes, which are scheduled several times a year, and are a wonderful way to meet others and learn about our church and all the opportunities here. We always stand ready to be in communication with you about your particular situation. The contact information for all staff members is in the bulletin each week.

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Christy Parbst, Steve Randall, Jim Williams,	Andrew McLellan, Jay Pfeifer,	Hunter Miller, Erin Mills, Daniel Smith,
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