

*CALL TO WORSHIP

written by Bruce Prewer

Leader: Christ Jesus, friend of the poor, the meek

and the merciful, has been enthroned above all authority and power in this world

and in the world that is to come.

People: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the

earth, serve the Lord with gladness come

into God's presence with singing.

Leader: God has placed everything under Christ's

wounded feet, appointed the one who wore a crown of thorns as the supreme

head of the church, His body.

People: Enter God's gates with thanksgiving, come

into God's courts with praise. Give thanks

and praise God's loving name!

*HYMN

Crown Him with Many Crowns
UM Hymnal #327

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.

Crown him the Lord of life, who triumphed o'er the grave, and rose victorious in the strife for those he came to save.

His glories now we sing, who died, and rose on high, who died, eternal life to bring, and lives that death may die.

Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scepter sways from pole to pole, that wars may cease, and all be prayer and praise.

His reign shall know no end, and round his pierced feet fair flowers of paradise extend their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown him the Lord of love; behold his hands and side, those wounds, yet visible above, in beauty glorified.

All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For thou hast died for me; thy praise and glory shall not fail throughout eternity.

Text: Matthew Bridges (1851); Godfrey Thring (1874) Music: George J. Elvey (1858)

SCRIPTURE

Jeremiah 23: 5-6 (NRSV)

⁵ The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved, and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: "The Lord is our righteousness."

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

TIME WITH THE CHILDREN (9:40)

Dianna Sheely



AFFIRMATION OF FAITH Apostle's Creed #881

I believe in God, the Father Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth;

And in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

HYMN

Jesus Remember Me UM Hymnal #488

Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.
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Words: Luke 23:42

Music: Jacques Berthier (1981) Community of Taizé (1981)

PASTORAL PRAYERS

adapted from a writing by Rev Abi

Oh Jesus, You are the King of Glory, You are the Lord of Lords, and King of Kings. And we pray that your Kingdom will reign forever in our hearts and in this world.

Lord, we pray for your Kingdom to come here now, bringing a kingdom of justice, righteousness, hope, love, peace, mercy and grace for all. Lord, we ask that you rule in our hearts.

We often have our own plans and agendas and we want to be rulers of our world. Forgive us for those times. Help us to know how to live as your Kingdom People in these times. And Lord, there are a lot of kings in this world who terrorize, humiliate, over exploit, and abuse those they are to lead. Help us to spread the good news of the different kind of King you are.

Lord, thank you for being a different kind of King. Thank you for your goodness and kindness in our lives. Thank you for your generosity. Thank you for loving us. Thank you for your Kingdom that is unlike any Kingdom in this world.

Hear us as we pray as Jesus taught:

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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us. 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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GIVING

*RESPONSE

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Praise God, from whom all blessings flow; praise him, all creatures here below; praise him above, ye heavenly host; praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost.

Amen.

SCRIPTURE

Colossians 1:15-20 (NRSV)

¹⁵ He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation, ¹⁶ for in him all things in heaven and on earth were created, things visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or powers—all things have been created through him and for him. ¹⁷ He himself is before all things, and in him all things hold together. ¹⁸ He is the head of the body, the church; he is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, so that he might come to have first place in everything. ¹⁹ For in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, ²⁰ and through him God was pleased to reconcile to himself all things, whether on earth or in heaven, by making peace through the blood of his cross.

The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God.**

MESSAGE

Reconciled in the Cross Rev. David W. Brown

HYMN

In the Cross of Christ I Glory
UM Hymnal #295

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

When the woes of life o'ertake me, hopes deceive, and fears annoy, never shall the cross forsake me.

Lo! it glows with peace and joy.

When the sun of bliss is beaming light and love upon my way, from the cross the radiance streaming adds more luster to the day.

Bane and blessing, pain and pleasure, by the cross are sanctified; peace is there that knows no measure, joys that through all time abide.

In the cross of Christ I glory, towering o'er the wrecks of time; all the light of sacred story gathers round its head sublime.

> Words: John Bowring (1825) Music: Ithamar Conkey (1849)

BLESSING

adapted from Psalm 46

It is not enough to acclaim Jesus Christ as our Lord and King.

Our mission in life is to make his kingdom a reality among us and to bring it to those around us by our words and deeds.

The way to do this is to live as he lived: for others, in love and service.

May almighty God bless you for this task: the Sustainer, and the Redeemer, and the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Liturgist at 8:20 – Mark Paluta Liturgist at 9:40 – Steve Hoard

The flowers in the Sanctuary are given by Marge Freshley in memory of her husband, Rev. Wendell Freshley.



Gather for coffee and treats in the Atrium following the 9:40 service!





Advent Candle Lighting

We are looking for couples / families / individuals to do a small reading and light the Advent candles during worship.

11/27, 12/4, 12/11, 12/18 @ 8:20am and 9:40am 12/24 @ 5:00pm and 8:00pm

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Christmas Music Concert

Sunday, December 11 at 7:00pm in our Sanctuary

Free Concert presented by members and friends of the Cincinnati East Stake of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints.

River's Edge Brass Band & Armstrong Chapel Choir

Sunday, December 18 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary

^{*}Stand as you are able



The Gingerbread Bash is a fun, hands-on way to celebrate Christmas together!

Friday, December 9 7:00-8:30pm in the Worship Center

You'll make a gingerbread nativity, play games, hear the Christmas story from the Bible, and discover that sometimes the most incredible gift comes in the most ordinary box.



He is the Potter and we are His clay. He will mold us and make us so that we may be made into a flawless piece of work to fulfill His good, pleasing, and perfect will.

Women's Christmas Tea Sunday, December 4 at 11:30am in the Fellowship Hall

Gather to enjoy a fun afternoon filled with fellowship, music, Christmas goodies, and TEA!

Women United will participate in IPM's Christmas Store by donating gifts for kids this year. And it's easy – no sign-up needed – bring a donation of your choice to the Tea!

Have you ever wondered how the big trees in the Atrium are made so beautiful for our Advent and Christmas season? Here's your chance to find out! We are planning to decorate on November 22 (Tuesday) in the afternoon, or on November 23 (Wednesday). Call or text Jane Florer at 513-257-5844 or email jbflorer@gmail.com what day, time works for you, and we'll have a nice fellowship time while we beautify our space!

Sharing the Joy of The Season with Our Neighbors in Need

Christmas is right around the corner! We are supporting **Inter Parish Ministry's Christmas Store**, one of their biggest events of the year. Shop on your own or check out IPM's Amazon Christmas Wish Lists: Toy store: https://amzn.to/3A4Rckp; Gifts for adults: https://amzn.to/3E38Bv4. Gifts may be delivered to the Atrium entrance by Sunday, December 4.



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IPM Food Pantry 2022 Christmas Wish List

Infant	Toddler	Elementary	Teen	Senior (60 yr +)
Puzzles	Barbie Dolls	Sport Team Hoodie	Sport Team Hoodie	Household Appliances
Trucks	Frozen	Pokemon	Purse	Purse
Blocks	Remote Control Car	Action Figures	Wallet	Wallet
Pajamas	Pajamas	Barbie Dolls	Makeup	Makeup
Tummy Time Mats	Baby Alive Doll	Craft Kits	Craft Kits	Cologne/Perfume
Rattles	Board Games	Remote Control Car	Makeup Mirror	Makeup Mirror
Bath Toys	Stuffed Animals	Bey Blades	Bluetooth Headphones	Card Games
Teethers	Potato Heads	Board Games	Legos	Crossword/Soduko
	Play-Doh	Stuffed Animals	Charging Hub	Bluetooth Speaker
	Paw Patrol	Star Wars "The Child"	Phone Accessories	Throw Blanket
		Legos	Fidgets	Puzzles
		LOL! Surprise Dolls		Mints/Gum/Candy

We have an app for your smart phone!

- Search your app store for "ShelbyNext Membership."
- On the sign-in screen, replace the word "domain" with "armstrongchapel" and leave everything behind the dot intact
- Enter your user name and password if you already have it, or click "New user? Create an account."
- Here you can see the directory, give and even log your Sunday attendance (instead of filling out a Connect Card).
- To let us know you're at church: click "Check-In," click a person in your family, choose your service (group), click done at the top right. Log in each family member attending. Choose Remote Check-In and click the blue check-in button.

