

THE SERVICE of Worship

November 21, 2021
Christ the King Sunday
10:30 A.M.



FIRST
PRESBYTERIAN
CHURCH of
RICHARDSON
established 1870

Responding to God's love and grace, we WORSHIP with joy, NURTURE with faith, and SERVE others with love.

WE GATHER AROUND THE WORD

LIFE OF THE CHURCH

OPENING VOLUNTARY

“At the Name of Jesus”
Edwin Walker, Organist

arr. David N. Johnson
(1922-1987)

*CALL TO WORSHIP | *Responsively*

By the waters of Babylon, there we wept when we remembered.

By the waters of the kitchen sink, there we wept.

**And on the living room couch, and in the empty school room,
and beside the makeshift dining room table office.**

How could we sing God's song in a strange land?

How could we sing God's song over Zoom?

By the waters of Babylon,

There we wept when we remembered.

We remembered that ancient rhythm of separation and homecoming,

Exile and return, going out and coming in.

You who are by the waters of Babylon: Come!

From kitchens and home offices, sidewalks and parking lots, we come!

You who remember and you who do not: Come!

Sometimes remembering clearly,

sometimes confused by nostalgia, we come!

By foot, by car, and by computer, we come!

God goes with us into every exile;

God rejoices with every return.

In Jerusalem and in Babylon, in strange lands and in familiar rooms.

In sanctuaries and on screens,

In pews, couches and recliners, let us worship God!

*HYMN OF GOD'S CREATION | “All Creatures of Our God and King”

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CALL TO CONFESSION

PRAYER OF CONFESSION | *Unison*

**Holy God, creator of all that is and is to come,
you made the world and called it good.**

**We thank you and praise you, for we have wreaked havoc on your good creation,
yet you promise to make all things whole and live among us in joy and peace.**

**Keep us watchful for Christ's coming, enliven our hope,
and support us through the birth pangs of your new creation,
that we may welcome you with songs of praise. Amen.**

**Please rise in body or spirit*

DECLARATION OF FORGIVENESS | *Responsively*

The Lord comes, and blessing is in his right hand.

Jesus comes as Lord, and Jesus comes as Savior.

Believe this, the good news of the gospel, and live differently.

By the grace of Jesus Christ we are forgiven.

By the grace of Jesus Christ, we are called into discipleship.

Thanks be to God. Alleluia! Amen.

*GLORIA PATRI | *Sung*

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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 THE PEACE OF CHRIST

TIME FOR CHILDREN

Pastor Rosy and Pastor David

ANTHEM

“I Sing the Mighty Power of God”
The Sanctuary Choir; Edwin Walker, Pianist

ELLACOMBE
arr. by Benjamin Harlan
Text by Isaac Watts (1674-1748)

*I sing the mighty pow’r of God, that made the mountains rise,
that spread the flowing seas abroad, and built the lofty skies.*

*I sing the wisdom that ordained the sun to rule the day;
the moon shines full at God’s command, and all the stars obey.*

*I sing the goodness of the Lord, that filled the earth with food,
God formed the creatures through the word, and then pronounced them good.*

*Lord, how Thy wonders are displayed, where’er I turn my eye:
if I survey the ground I tread, or gaze upon the sky.*

*There’s not a plant or flow’r below, but makes Thy glories known;
and clouds arise, and tempests blow, by order from Thy throne;
while all that borrows life from Thee is ever in Thy care;
and everywhere that we can be, Thou, God, art present there. Amen!*

WE PROCLAIM THE WORD

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

OLD TESTAMENT READING

Jeremiah 29:10-14

The Prophet Jeremiah delivers a message to the people.

GOSPEL READING

John 18:33-37

Pilate asks: Are you a king? Jesus answers: I came to show the truth.

EPISTLE READING

2 Corinthians 9:6-11

God loves a cheerful giver.

SERMON

“A Future with Hope”

Pastor David Schaefer

WE RESPOND TO THE WORD

*HYMN OF THE TRIUNE GOD | “Come, Thou Almighty King”

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*APOSTLES' CREED | *Unison*

Traditional Version

**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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried;
he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church;
the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins;
the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

THE LORD'S PRAYER | *Unison*

**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 debts, as we forgive our debtors.
And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.**

CALL FOR OFFERING

OFFERTORY

“Rejoice, the Lord Is King!”

Ruth Greer Handbell Choir; Becky Lormor, Director
For text reflection, please see Glory to God 363

DARWALL'S 148TH
John Darwall (1731-1789)
arr. Matthew Compton

DOXOLOGY | “Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow”

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

*BENEDICTION

CLOSING VOLUNTARY

“Now Thank We All Our God”
Edwin Walker, Organist

Sigfrid Karg-Elert
(1877-1933)

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