

THE WORSHIP OF GOD

November 24, 2019 ✕ 11:00 am

✕ *The Season of the Church Year: Christ the King Sunday*

GREETING TO WORSHIPERS

Rev. Dr. Trey Gilliam

CHIMING OF THE HOUR

PASTORAL SENTENCES

Dr. Gilliam

PRELUDE

LIGHTING OF THE CANDLES AND OPENING OF THE BIBLE

Miss Reagan & Master Justice Zoch, Acolytes

CALL TO WORSHIP

Psalm 100

Mr. Henry Joyner

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the Lord with gladness;
come into his presence with singing.

Know that the Lord is God.

**It is he that made us, and we are his;
we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.**

Enter his gates with thanksgiving,
and his courts with praise.

Give thanks to him, bless his name.

**For the Lord is good;
his steadfast love endures forever,
and his faithfulness to all generations.**

INTROIT

Festival Jubilate
The Vocal Ensemble

Patti Drennan

PRAYER OF INVOCATION

Mr. Joyner

+HYMN OF PRAISE 354

Praise Him! Praise Him!

JOYFUL SONG

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CHILDREN'S TIME & BLESSING

Rev. Anita Thompson

People of God, what is your prayer for these children?

**Our prayer is that they grow up to be like Jesus—strong and brave,
full of grace and truth, and that we will help them.**

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GOSPEL LESSON

Luke 23:33-43

Ms. Vicky Overman

In Pew Bible, page 108 of New Testament

This is the word of God for the people of God;

Thanks be to God.

PASTORAL PRAYER

Rev. Thompson

ASSURANCE OF FORGIVENESS

Rev. Thompson

Friends, this Good News is for all the world:

Christ was born, lived and died, and rose again
that we would be freed from sin and death.

Know that indeed you are forgiven and be at peace.

Alleluia! Amen.

+HYMN 356

We Praise You, O God, Our Redeemer

KREMSER

+OFFERTORY PRAYER

Ms. Overman

OFFERTORY

I'll Walk with God
Katherine Allen, Soloist

arr. Douglas MacLean

+DOXOLOGY

OLD 100TH

Praise God, from whom all blessings flow.

Praise Him, all creatures here below.

Praise Him above, ye heavenly hosts.

Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.

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NEW TESTAMENT LESSON Colossians 1:11-20

Dr. Gilliam

In Pew Bible, page 244 of New Testament

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SERMON *It's Beginning to Look A Lot Like Christmas* Dr. Gilliam

At the conclusion of the sermon, we will observe a time of silence to reflect on all that has been experienced while we've worshiped together.

INVITATION

It is our tradition to offer a time or response near the end of worship. A response may take the shape of a profession of faith in Jesus Christ and desire to be baptized, a request for church membership, or the sharing of a prayer concern or praise which may be communicated with the congregation or safely kept between the sharer and minister. Please respond as you feel led during the Hymn of Response.

+HYMN OF RESPONSE 377 *There Is a Redeemer* GREEN

+BENEDICTION Dr. Gilliam

+CHIMES OF THE TRINITY

As the chimes strike three times—in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit—our corporate worship ends, and our opportunity begins to be the presence of Christ in the world, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

+POSTLUDE

+Those who are able are invited to stand.

Today's Altar Flowers are given by the Worship Decorating Committee to the glory of God.

We give thanks for those caring for our young ones today in Extended Session while we worship:

*Babies: Scott & Lisa Outlaw
Ages 1 & 2: Jessica Brinkley & Georgia Copeland
Age 3 – Kindergarten: J.C. Doughtie & Sandra Pierce
Floater: Judy H. Pierce*

OUR MINISTRY TEAM

Rev. Anita D. Thompson Rev. Dr. Paul R. Gilliam III (Trey)
Associate Pastor *Pastor*

Rev. Dr. Jesse J. Croom
Pastor Emeritus

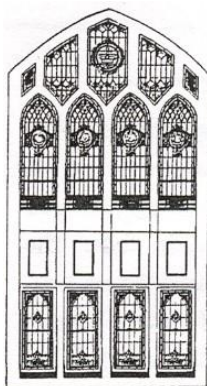
Mr. W. Bland Baker
Music Associate

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A Window on the Weeks Ahead

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✦ Wednesday Night Schedule – November 27

There will be no afternoon or evening activities in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday.

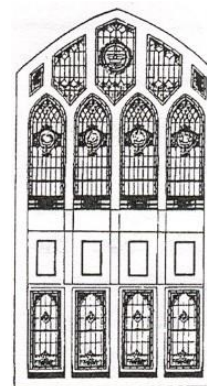
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✦ Christian Women's Job Corps Angel Tree

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