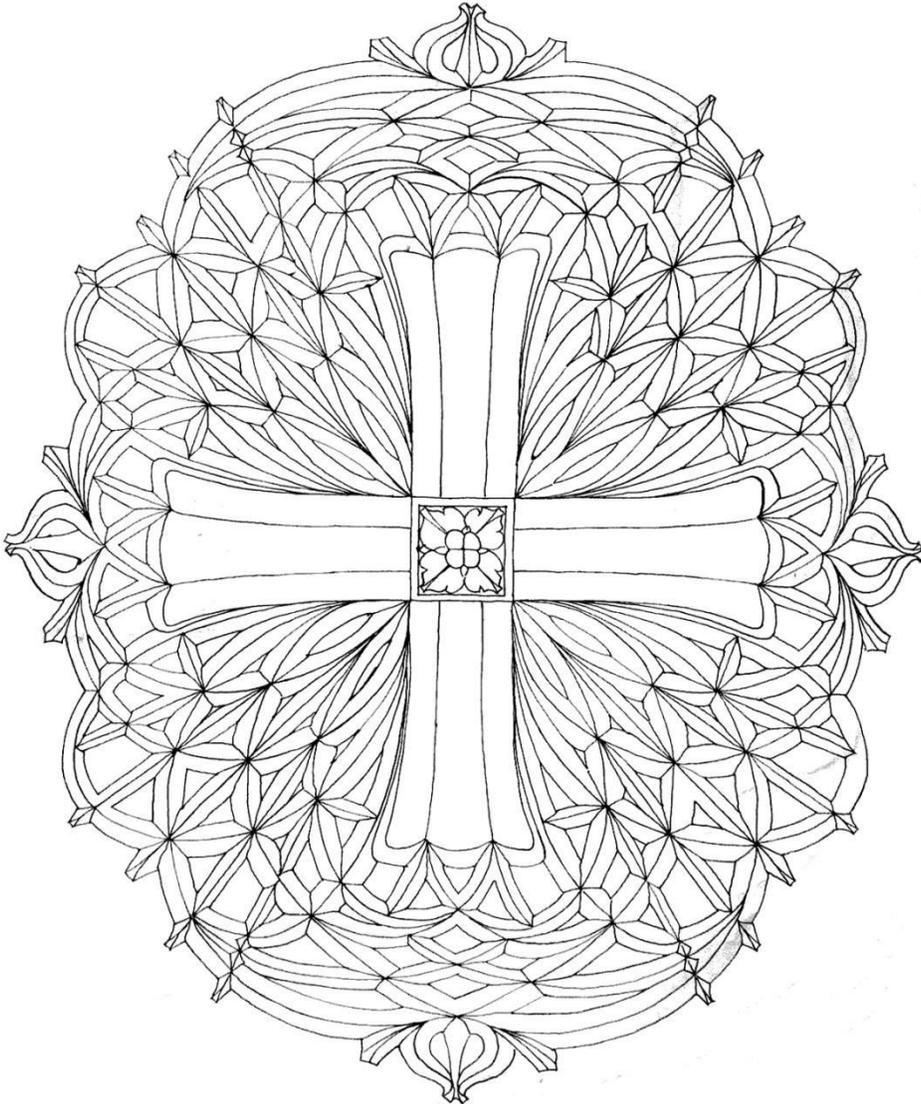


# First Presbyterian Church

November 22, 2020

Christ the King Sunday



*Serving Christ from the heart of the city to the ends of the earth with love, faith and action.*

## We Gather in God's Presence

Gathering Music

Welcome and Announcements

Prelude

*"The King of Love My Shepherd Is"*

arr. Eugene Hill

Call to Worship

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth. Worship the Lord with gladness.

**We are God's people, the sheep of God's pasture.**

**It is God who made us, and we belong to God.**

The Lord is good; God's steadfast love endures forever. Let us worship God!

Hymn

["Crown Him with Many Crowns"](#)

No. 268

Prayer of Confession

Ed McLeod

You have told us what is good, Holy God; that we are to seek justice, love kindness, and walk humbly with you. You have called us to love the widow, the orphan, and the immigrants among us. You have invited us to care for the hungry, the sick, and the imprisoned. You have been clear about your intentions, Redeemer God, but we have fallen short of your desire. We have neglected to care for your children and have not loved as we are loved. Forgive us, restore us, and lead us to wholeness. We offer these and all our prayers to you in this time of silence...

Kyrie | Lord, have mercy upon us, Christ have mercy upon us. Lord have mercy upon us.

Assurance of Pardon

Response to Pardon

Friends in Christ, in response to this gift of God's grace, how then shall we live?

**With gratitude, following after the Lord Jesus Christ, who calls us to love**

**God with heart, soul, mind, and strength, and our neighbors as ourselves.**

This is the way of Jesus, in whom we find life!

## We Celebrate our Life Together

Joys and Concerns of the Church Family

Prayers of Thanksgiving and Intercession and The Lord's Prayer

**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.**

## We Listen to God's Word

A Moment for Children

Katy Schafer

Scripture Readings

Ephesians 1:15-23, Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon

Laurie Taylor Weicher

## We Respond to God's Word

Hymn

["The Days Are Surely Coming"](#)

No. 357

Affirmation of Faith | The Apostles' Creed

**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 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 Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.**

An Invitation to Generosity

Offertory

*"For Everyone Born"*  
Andy Eaton, Baritone

Brian Mann/Tom Trenney

Prayer of Dedication

## We Bear God's Word into the World

Hymn

["Together We Serve"](#)

No. 767

Charge and Benediction

Benediction Response

**Go with us Lord, and guide the way through this and every coming day,  
that in Your Spirit, strong and true, our lives may be our gift to you.**

Postlude

*"Crown Him With Many Crowns"*

arr. John F. Wilson

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