

**Service for the Lord's Day
Christ the King Sunday
November 26, 2017**

Prelude

Greetings and News of the Church

Time of Preparation

*Call to Worship

One: This is the Lord's Day, the day of wonder and grace.

All: This is the day to worship the One who calls us here.

One: This is the Lord's Day,
the day we are given joy and peace.

**All: This is the day promised to us,
the day of healing and renewal.**

One: This is the Lord's Day, and it has come just in time!

**All: This is the day we gather with hope,
with faith, with love!**

*Hymn #267 *"All Things Bright and Beautiful"*

The Prayer of Confession

We confess our struggle to be transformed into disciples, God of mystery. The desires of the world sometimes shape us into people you would not recognize. The demands of our society pull us away from your heart. Our culture values the rich, the powerful, the successful, but you are on the side of the weak, the poor, the outcast, and the oppressed.

Forgive us, Merciful God, for looking for you in all the wrong places. Reawaken us with your voice that calls us to service; revive our weary hearts with your vision of creation; refresh our fatigued spirits that we might boldly proclaim Jesus as our Lord and Savior, and go forth to serve your people, in Christ's name.

Time of Silent Prayer

Assurance of Forgiveness

‡ Response #464 "Joyful, Joyful. We Adore Thee"
(1st verse only)

Time with Young Disciples

Scripture Reading Ephesians 1:15-23

Scripture Reading Matthew 25:31-46

Sermon "The Final Surprise"

Hymn #487 *"When Morning Gilds the Skies"*

Prayers of the People/Lord's Prayer (debts/debtors)

Offertory/Offering

‡ Doxology #592

‡ Offertory Prayer

O God, we have heard your call, beckoning us to a life of love and service. Here, in daily, persistent, and sometimes even unknown ways we offer our lives for your service. We bring these gifts as a way of expressing our gratitude for the gift of grace you shower upon us. Thank you, O God for your love and presence. Amen!

Hymn #344 *"Christ of the Upward Way"*

Charge/Benediction

‡ *Please stand, if able*

- *"Amen" sung after first and last hymn*

We are pleased to WELCOME those visiting with us today, and hope you will return and worship with us again.

FOLLOWING WORSHIP

We invite you to warmly greet one another, and particularly any guests and visitors

WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY

Guest Pastor—Rev. Ted Mattie
Organist/Pianist- Skyler Fennell
Violinist-Eric Sewell

We would like to welcome back Rev. Mattie this morning.

THIS WEEK

Today	Adult Discussion
Wednesday	6:00 pm Bible Study in the Library, the book of Nahum
Thursday	10:00 am Bible Study in the Library, on The Thirteen Apostles
Sunday	9:00 am Worship

December 3 following worship is the Congregational meeting.

Budget Summary for September 2017

We did not take any money from our investments to pay operating expenses during September 2017.

Session's budget for running the church in 2017 is now \$86,323, an average of \$7,194/month.

Our September income was \$9,134, or 127% of our average monthly expense budget.

Our January through September income was \$59,704, or 92% of our nine months' expense budget.

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