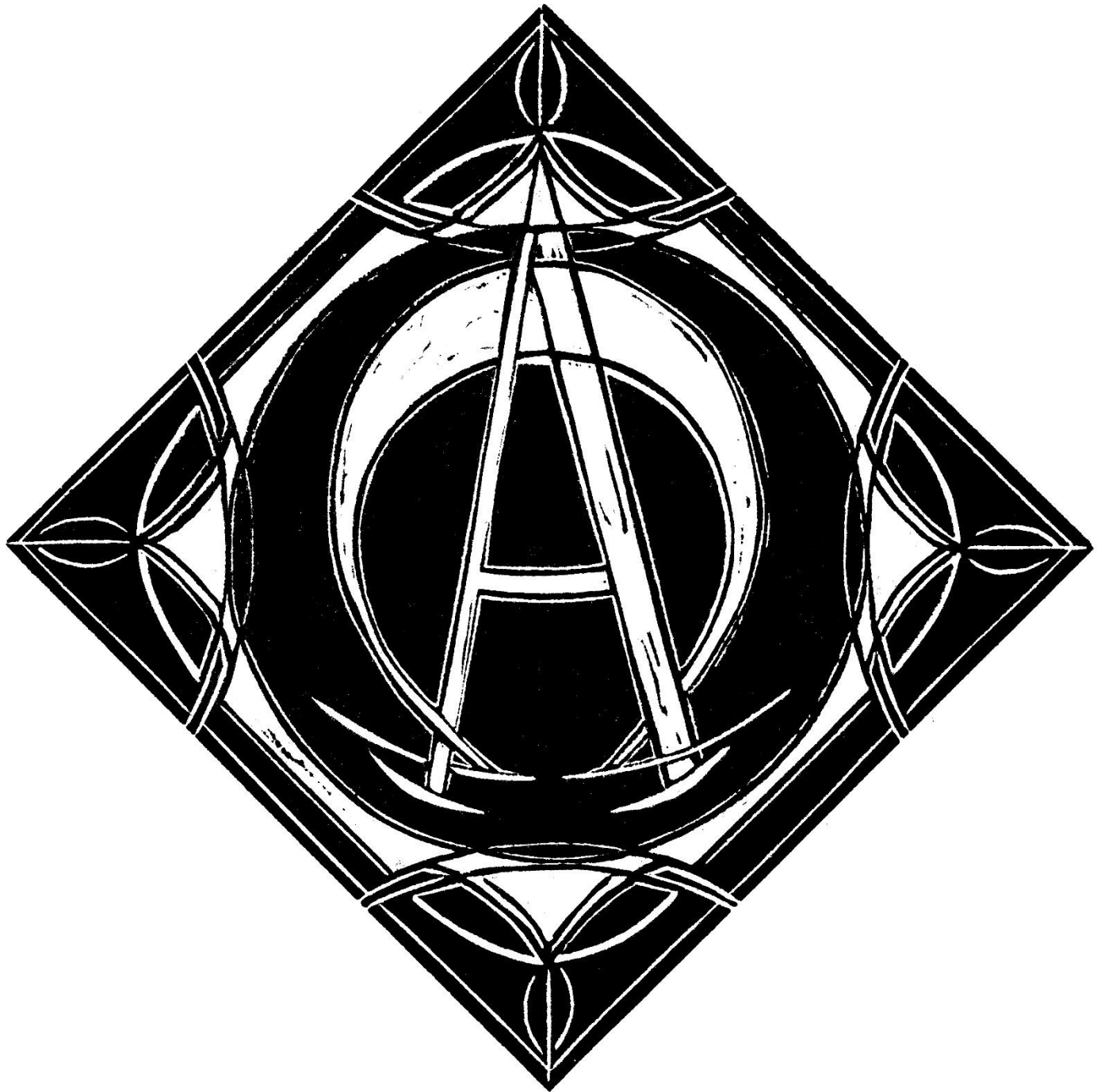


Christ the King

November 24, 2024



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November 24, 2024, 10:00 a.m. Service

WELCOME TO FPC

We are so glad you are with us on this day where we celebrate the gift of hope for ourselves and for our world. We invite you to follow us on Facebook, sign up for our weekly emails or check the website regularly to see the new things God is doing among us at FPC Findlay!

CHILDREN IN WORSHIP

Little Ones: Infants and toddlers are welcome to join trained caregivers in Room 333 on the third floor during worship.

Children's Worship Bulletins: These are available along with activity packets in the Narthex. Ask a Greeter for one.

Godly Play: Children in preschool through elementary school-age are invited to attend Godly Play worship in Room 340 following the Blessing of the Children.

WORSHIP VIA FACEBOOK LIVE

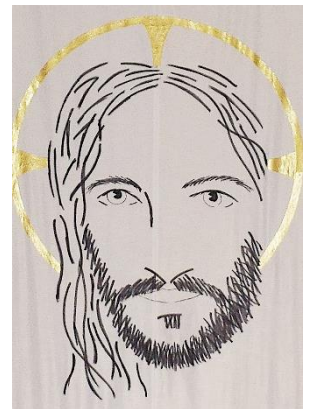
As the prelude begins, we invite you to share your prayer requests in the comments section beneath the Facebook Live video.

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LITURGICAL ART

First Presbyterian Church follows the liturgical calendar to mark the seasons of our life together as Christians. Traditionally various colors are used for each season or special day. All our paraments are gifts from artist Don Beck, whose creative vision continues to shape worship at FPC.

TODAY we observe Christ the King Sunday which celebrates the full authority of Jesus Christ as ruler of the universe, whose kingship is one of humility, service, justice and love. The reign of Christ is observed on this final Sunday of the Pentecost season (Ordinary Time) before the Advent Season begins a new Church Year cycle next Sunday, waiting for the promised Messiah.



***Honoring our heritage, we are a dynamic body
welcoming all to Christ's spacious table, illumined
to serve God with imagination and love.***

Please turn off all mobile and electronic devices while in the Sanctuary.

**Indicates to rise in body or spirit.*

The festival of Christ the King was first celebrated in 1925, in the midst of the European political turmoil of the 1920s and 1930s. It was intended to proclaim God's reign over a world wracked by one world war and facing another. That truth can still be proclaimed today. No human system is forever. None can claim absolute allegiance. Only Christ is sovereign.

GATHERING

We gather as a community and prepare our hearts to worship God.

Tolling of the Bells

Prelude

Fugue in G minor

J.S. Bach

Choral Introit

He Is King of Kings

African American Spiritual

He is King of kings; he is Lord of lords, Jesus Christ, the first and last, no one works like him.

*Call to Worship

Through the power of God,
Christ our Lord sits on the throne of truth.

As we worship, may this truth guide our thoughts.

Christ our Lord sits on the throne of love.

May this love guide our hearts.

Let us worship our Lord who leads the way.

1 Crown him with man - y crowns, the Lamb up - on his throne;
 2 Crown him the Lord of love; be - hold his hands and side,
 3 Crown him the Lord of peace, whose power a scep - ter sways
 4 Crown him the Lord of years, the po - ten - tate of time;

hark, how the heaven-ly an - them drowns all mu - sic but its own!
 rich wounds, yet vis - i - ble a - bove, in beau - ty glo - ri - fied:
 from pole to pole, that wars may cease, ab - sorbed in prayer and praise.
 cre - a - tor of the roll - ing spheres, in - ef - fa - bly sub - lime.

A - wake, my soul, and sing of him who died for thee,
 no an - gel in the sky can ful - ly bear that sight,
 His reign shall know no end; and round his pierc - ed feet
 All hail, Re - deem - er, hail! For thou hast died for me;

and hail him as thy match-less King through all e - ter - ni - ty.
 but down - ward bends his burn - ing eye at mys - ter - ies so bright.
 fair flowers of par - a - dise ex - tend their fra - grance ev - er sweet.
 thy praise shall nev - er, nev - er fail through - out e - ter - ni - ty.

This text is so familiar that it is easy to miss all its paradox, mystery, suffering, and beauty; it rewards careful reading and meditation outside corporate worship. The tune's composer, chapel organist at Windsor Castle, had much experience in creating a royal sound.

TEXT: Matthew Bridges, 1851
 MUSIC: George Job Elvey, 1868

DIADEMATA
 SMD

Blessing of the Children

Children are invited to come to the Chancel steps at this time for a Blessing.

Following the Blessing of the Children, children 3rd grade and younger may go to Room 340 for Godly Play.

The Seasons of the Liturgical Year in Scripture and Song

ADVENT

Scripture Lesson

Isaiah 11:1-10

A shoot shall come out from the stump of Jesse,
and a branch shall grow out of his roots.

²The spirit of the Lord shall rest on him,
the spirit of wisdom and understanding,
the spirit of counsel and might,
the spirit of knowledge and the fear of the Lord.

³His delight shall be in the fear of the Lord.

He shall not judge by what his eyes see
or decide by what his ears hear,

⁴but with righteousness he shall judge for the poor
and decide with equity for the oppressed of the earth;
he shall strike the earth with the rod of his mouth,
and with the breath of his lips he shall kill the wicked.

⁵Righteousness shall be the belt around his waist
and faithfulness the belt around his loins.

⁶The wolf shall live with the lamb;
the leopard shall lie down with the kid;
the calf and the lion will feed together,
and a little child shall lead them.

⁷The cow and the bear shall graze;
their young shall lie down together;
and the lion shall eat straw like the ox.

⁸The nursing child shall play over the hole of the asp,
and the weaned child shall put its hand on the adder's den.

⁹They will not hurt or destroy
on all my holy mountain,
for the earth will be full of the knowledge of the Lord
as the waters cover the sea.

¹⁰On that day the root of Jesse shall stand as a signal to the peoples;
the nations shall inquire of him, and his dwelling shall be glorious.

1 A - wake! A - wake, and greet the new morn, for an - gels
 2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em - man - u -
 3 In dark - est night his com - ing shall be, when all the
 4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night. Though dark the

her - ald its dawn-ing. Sing out your joy, for soon he is
 el comes a - sing - ing; his hum - ble song is qui - et and
 world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so qui - et and
 win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall crown you with

born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing. Come as a ba - by
 near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing; mu - sic to heal the
 free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing. Then shall the mute break
 light; be strong and lov - ing and fear - less. Love be our song and

weak and poor, to bring all hearts to - geth - er, he o - pens
 bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing - kind - ness. The thun - der
 forth in song, the lame shall leap in won - der, the weak be
 love our prayer and love our end - less sto - ry; may God fill

wide the heaven - ly door and lives now in - side us for - ev - er.
 of his an - thems rolls to shat - ter all ha - tred and vio - lence.
 raised a - bove the strong, and weap - ons be bro - ken a - sun - der.
 ev - ery day we share and bring us at last in - to glo - ry.

After attending a carol concert, the author and composer of this hymn was moved to create a contemporary, accessible carol that drew on the familiar images in a new way. There are echoes here of passages such as Isaiah 9:6, Isaiah 7:14/Matthew 1:23, Isaiah 35:5-6, Isaiah 2:4.

CHRISTMAS

Scripture Lesson

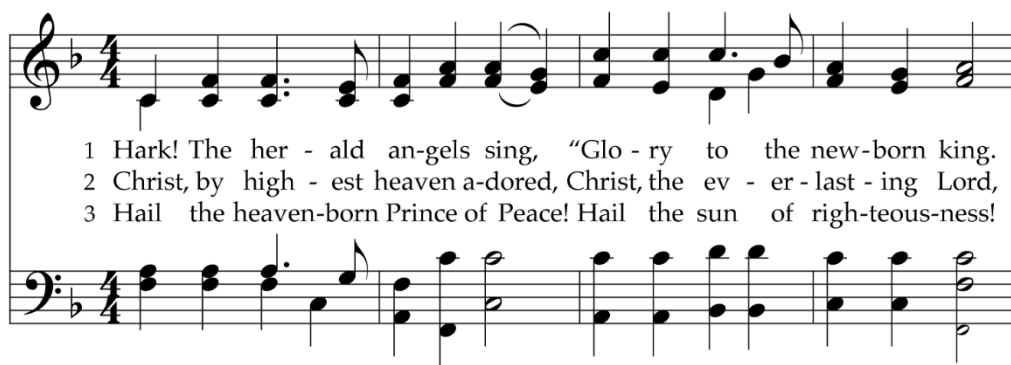
Luke 2:1-20

2 In those days a decree went out from Caesar Augustus that all the world should be registered. **2** This was the first registration and was taken while Quirinius was governor of Syria. **3** All went to their own towns to be registered. **4** Joseph also went from the town of Nazareth in Galilee to Judea, to the city of David called Bethlehem, because he was descended from the house and family of David. **5** He went to be registered with Mary, to whom he was engaged and who was expecting a child. **6** While they were there, the time came for her to deliver her child. **7** And she gave birth to her firstborn son and wrapped him in bands of cloth and laid him in a manger, because there was no place in the guest room.

8 Now in that same region there were shepherds living in the fields, keeping watch over their flock by night. **9** Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. **10** But the angel said to them, “Do not be afraid, for see, I am bringing you good news of great joy for all the people: **11** to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is the Messiah, the Lord. **12** This will be a sign for you: you will find a child wrapped in bands of cloth and lying in a manger.” **13** And suddenly there was with the angel a multitude of the heavenly host, praising God and saying,

14 “Glory to God in the highest heaven,
and on earth peace among those whom he favors!”

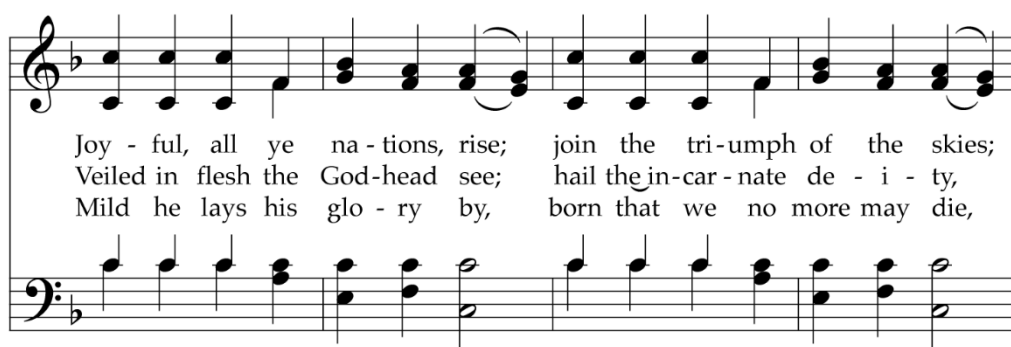
15 When the angels had left them and gone into heaven, the shepherds said to one another, “Let us go now to Bethlehem and see this thing that has taken place, which the Lord has made known to us.” **16** So they went with haste and found Mary and Joseph and the child lying in the manger. **17** When they saw this, they made known what had been told them about this child, **18** and all who heard it were amazed at what the shepherds told them, **19** and Mary treasured all these words and pondered them in her heart. **20** The shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, just as it had been told them.



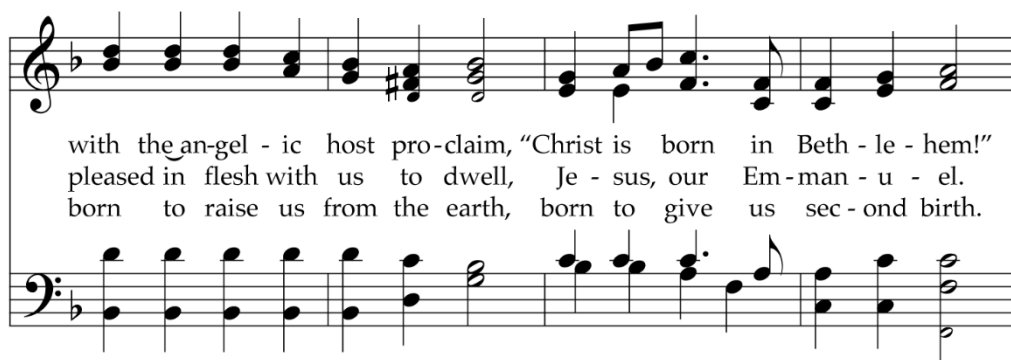
1 Hark! The her - ald an-gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king.
2 Christ, by high - est heaven a-dored, Christ, the ev - er - last - ing Lord,
3 Hail the heaven-born Prince of Peace! Hail the sun of righ-teous-ness!



Peace on earth and mer - cy mild, God and sin - ners rec - on - ciled!"
late in time be-hold him come, off-spring of the vir-gin's womb.
Light and life to all he brings, risen with heal - ing in his wings.



Joy - ful, all ye na - tions, rise; join the tri-umph of the skies;
Veiled in flesh the God-head see; hail the in-car - nate de - i - ty,
Mild he lays his glo - ry by, born that we no more may die,



with the an-gel - ic host pro-claim, "Christ is born in Beth - le - hem!"
pleased in flesh with us to dwell, Je - sus, our Em-man - u - el.
born to raise us from the earth, born to give us sec - ond birth.



Hark! The her - ald an - gels sing, "Glo - ry to the new-born king!"

Have mercy on me, O God,
according to your steadfast love;
according to your abundant mercy,
blot out my transgressions.

² **Wash me thoroughly from my iniquity,
and cleanse me from my sin.**

³ For I know my transgressions,
and my sin is ever before me.

⁴ **Against you, you alone, have I sinned
and done what is evil in your sight,
so that you are justified in your sentence
and blameless when you pass judgment.**

⁵ Indeed, I was born guilty,
a sinner when my mother conceived me.

⁶ **You desire truth in the inward being;
therefore teach me wisdom in my secret heart.**

⁷ Purge me with hyssop, and I shall be clean;
wash me, and I shall be whiter than snow.

⁸ **Let me hear joy and gladness;
let the bones that you have crushed rejoice.**

⁹ Hide your face from my sins,
and blot out all my iniquities.

¹⁰ **Create in me a clean heart, O God,
and put a new and right spirit within me.**

¹¹ Do not cast me away from your presence,
and do not take your holy spirit from me.

¹² **Restore to me the joy of your salvation,
and sustain in me a willing spirit.**

¹³ **Then I will teach transgressors your ways,
and sinners will return to you.**

Verses 1 & 2 will be sung by the choir

1 My song is love un - known, my Sav - ior's love to
 2 He came from heav - en's throne sal - va - tion to be -
 3 Some - times we strew his way, and his sweet prais - es
 4 Un - heed - ing, we will have our dear Lord made a -
 5 Here might I stay and sing, no sto - ry so di -

me, love to the love - less shown that they might love - ly
 stow; the world that was his own would not its Sav - ior
 sing, re - sound - ing all the day ho - san - nas to our
 way, a mur - der - er to save, the prince of life to
 vine: nev - er was love, dear King, nev - er was grief like

be. O who am I that for my sake my
 know. But O my Friend, my Friend in - deed, who
 King. Then "Cru - ci - fy!" is all our breath, and
 slay. Yet stead - fast he to suf - fer - ing goes, that
 thine. This is my Friend, in whose sweet praise I

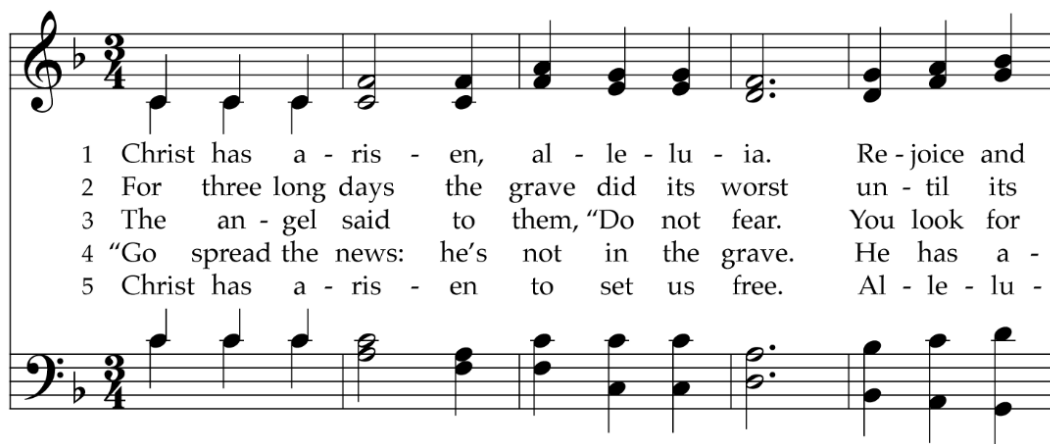
Lord should take frail flesh, and die?
 at my need his life did spend!
 for his death we thirst and cry.
 he his foes from thence might free.
 all my days could glad - ly spend.

EASTER – The Resurrection of Our Lord

Scripture Lesson

Matthew 28:1-10

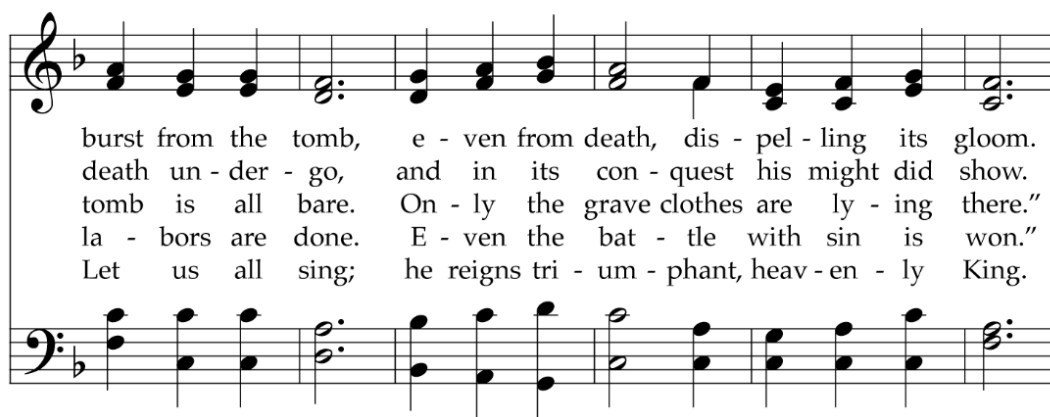
After the Sabbath, as the first day of the week was dawning, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to see the tomb. ² And suddenly there was a great earthquake, for an angel of the Lord, descending from heaven, came and rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning and his clothing white as snow. ⁴ For fear of him the guards shook and became like dead men. ⁵ But the angel said to the women, “Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus who was crucified. ⁶ He is not here, for he has been raised, as he said. Come, see the place where he lay. ⁷ Then go quickly and tell his disciples, ‘He has been raised from the dead, and indeed he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him.’ This is my message for you.” ⁸ So they left the tomb quickly with fear and great joy and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹ Suddenly Jesus met them and said, “Greetings!” And they came to him, took hold of his feet, and worshiped him. ¹⁰ Then Jesus said to them, “Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers and sisters to go to Galilee; there they will see me.”



1 Christ has a - ris - en, al - le - lu - ia. Re - joice and
 2 For three long days the grave did its worst un - til its
 3 The an - gel said to them, "Do not fear. You look for
 4 "Go spread the news: he's not in the grave. He has a -
 5 Christ has a - ris - en to set us free. Al - le - lu -



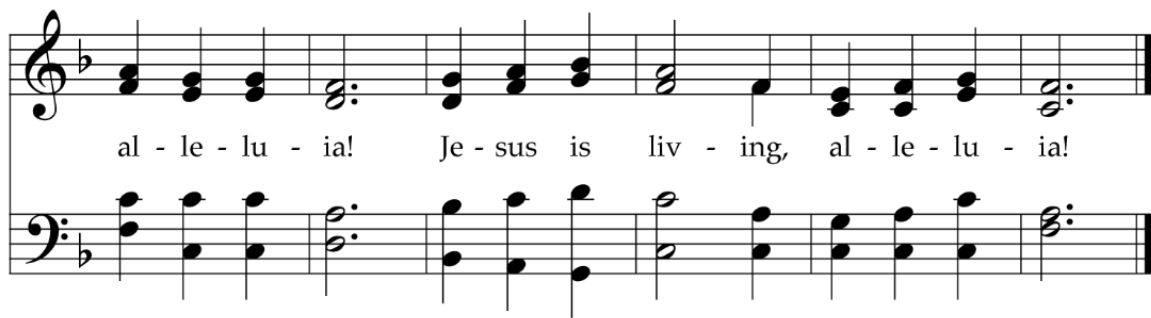
praise him, al - le - lu - ia. For our re - deem - er
 strength by God was dis - persed. He who gives life did
 Je - sus who is not here. See for your - selves the
 ris - en this world to save. Je - sus' re - deem - ing
 ia, to him prais - es be. Je - sus is liv - ing!



burst from the tomb, e - ven from death, dis - pel - ling its gloom.
 death un - der - go, and in its con - quest his might did show.
 tomb is all bare. On - ly the grave clothes are ly - ing there."
 la - bors are done. E - ven the bat - tle with sin is won."
 Let us all sing; he reigns tri - um - phant, heav - en - ly King.

The good news of the Resurrection is retold in this lively hymn from Tanzania, blending 20th-century words with a traditional melody. In African call-and-response practice, the stanzas would ordinarily be sung by a soloist or small group and the refrain by the whole congregation.

Refrain



PENTECOST

Scripture Lesson

Acts 2:1-4

When the day of Pentecost had come, they were all together in one place. ² And suddenly from heaven there came a sound like the rush of a violent wind, and it filled the entire house where they were sitting. ³ Divided tongues, as of fire, appeared among them, and a tongue rested on each of them. ⁴ All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability.

C G

1 As the wind song through the trees, as the
2 As the rain - bow af - ter rain, as the
1 風之頌, 林中吹送, 輕風之
2 彩之虹, 雨後高懸, 生之

C/G G Em Bm

stir - ring of the breeze, so it is with the Spir - it of
hope that's born a - gain, so it is with the Spir - it of
送, 心中振動, 上主的靈如風吹
盼, 人間再現, 上主的靈如風吹

Am D Em Em/D

God, as the heart made strange-ly warm, as the
God, as the green in the spring, as a
送; 心溫暖, 奇異難明, 風浪
送; 春天裡, 青山綠水, 線上

C G/B Am7 D

voice with - in the storm, so it is with the Spir - it of
kite on a string, so it is with the Spir - it of
中, 靜聽主聲, 上主的靈如風吹
繫飛揚風箏, 上主的靈如風吹

G Em Bm C

God. Nev - er seen, ev - er known where this wind has
God, mak - ing worlds that are new, mak - ing peace come
送; 眼不見, 心未明, 風來去何
送; 大地萬象更新, 和平終實

Reversing the usual order, this hymn began with the music rather than the words. The composer (from Singapore) sent this tune to the author (in New Zealand) to see what text it might inspire from her. She also suggested the tune name, a Maori phrase meaning "Holy Spirit."

blown bring-ing life, bring-ing power to the world,
 true, bring-ing gifts, bring-ing love to the world,
 蹤, 給 世 人 賜 生 命 加 力 量;
 現, 給 世 人 帶 來 愛 和 禮 物;

as the danc - ing tongues of fire, as the soul's most deep de -
 as the ris - ing of the yeast, as the wine at the
 火 之 舌, 跳 動 飛 舞, 心 深 處, 朝 思 暮
 麵 之 酵, 悄 然 膨 升, 盛 宴 上, 醇 香 美

sire, so it is with the Spir - it of God.
 feast, so it is with the Spir - it of God.
 想, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。
 酒, 上 主 的 靈 如 風 吹 送。

TIME AFTER PENTECOST

Scripture Lesson

John 15:1-5

“I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinegrower. ² He removes every branch in me that bears no fruit. Every branch that bears fruit he prunes to make it bear more fruit. ³ You have already been cleansed by the word that I have spoken to you. ⁴ Abide in me as I abide in you. Just as the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. ⁵ I am the vine; you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

Concerns and Celebrations

Prayers of the People

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.**



Call for Offering

Offertory Anthem

Christus Paradox

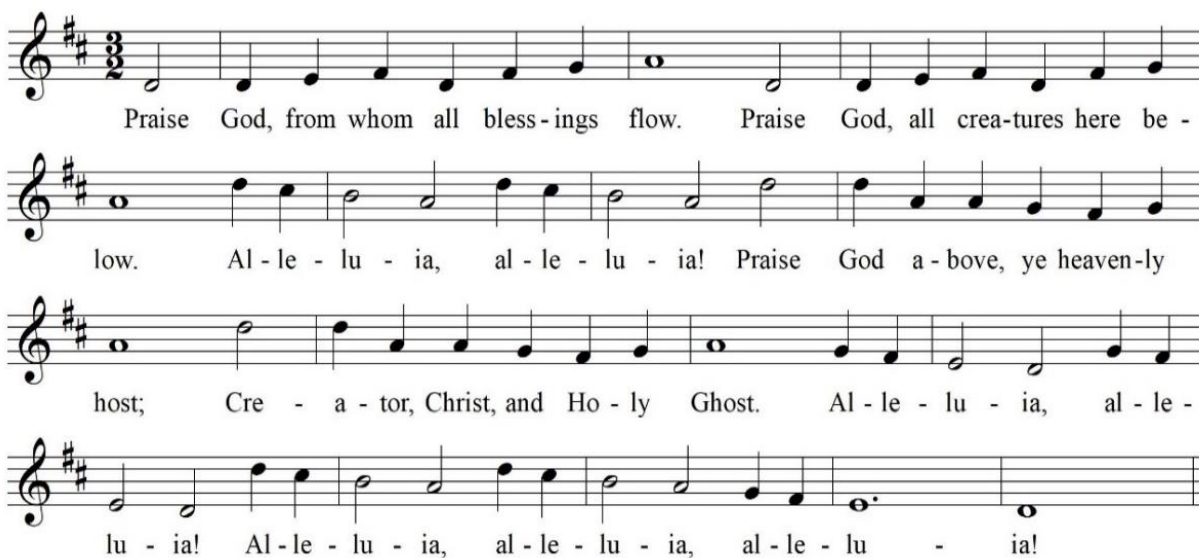
Alfred Fedak

You, Lord, are both Lamb and Shepherd. You, Lord, are both prince and slave. You, peace-maker and sword-bringer of the way you took and gave. You, the everlasting instant; you, whom we both scorn and crave. Clothed in light upon the mountain, stripped of might upon the cross, shining in eternal glory, beggared by a soldier's toss, you, the everlasting instant; you who are both gift and cost. You, who walk each day beside us, sit in power at God's side. You, who preach a way that's narrow, have a love that reaches wide. You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our pilgrim guide. Worthy is our earthly Jesus! Worthy is our cosmic Christ! Worthy your defeat and victory; worthy still your peace and strife. You, the everlasting instant; you, who are our death and life.

*Doxology

Praise God from Whom All Blessings Flow

LASST UNS ERFREUEN



*Prayer of Dedication

CHRIST THE KING

Scripture Lesson

Luke 23:33-43

When they came to the place that is called The Skull, they crucified Jesus there with the criminals, one on his right and one on his left. ³⁴Then Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." And they cast lots to divide his clothing. ³⁵And the people stood by watching, but the leaders scoffed at him, saying, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is the Messiah of God, his chosen one!" ³⁶The soldiers also mocked him, coming up and offering him sour wine ³⁷and saying, "If you are the King of the Jews, save yourself!" ³⁸There was also an inscription over him, "This is the King of the Jews." ³⁹One of the criminals who were hanged there kept deriding him and saying, "Are you not the Messiah? Save yourself and us!" ⁴⁰But the other rebuked him, saying, "Do you not fear God, since you are under the same sentence of condemnation?" ⁴¹And we indeed have been condemned justly, for we are getting what we deserve for our deeds, but this man has done nothing wrong." ⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come in your kingdom." ⁴³He replied, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

4 Re - joyce in glo - rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

1 Re - joyce, the Lord is King! Your Lord and King a - dore!
 2 Our Sav - ior, Je - sus, reigns, the God of truth and love;
 3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heaven;
 4 Re - joyce in glo - rious hope! For Christ, the Judge, shall come

and gath - er all the saints to their e - ter - nal home.

Re - joyce, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more.
 when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove.
 the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus given.
 and gath - er all the saints to their e - ter - nal home.

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Re - joyce, a - gain I say, re - joyce!

Lift up your heart; lift up your voice! Re - joyce, a - gain I say, re - joyce!

Each stanza of this enthronement text prepares for the final line of the refrain, based on Philippians 4:4. "Lord" is here a title of Christ rather than a reference to the undivided Trinity. The late 18th-century tune (first used with Psalm 148) captures the mood well.

TEXT: Charles Wesley, 1746, alt.

MUSIC: John Darwall, 1770; desc. Sydney Hugo Nicholson, 20th cent.

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DARWALL'S 148TH

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Blessing and Dismissal

Postlude

All Breathing Life

J.S. Bach

WORSHIP LEADERS

Pastor:	Rev. Jessica Commeret
Director of Music:	Clinton Miller
Lay Readers:	Ellen Hugunin & Joe Niemeyer
Choreographer:	Char Ebersole
Director of Connectional Ministry:	Leslee Kirkconnell
Musicians:	Chancel Choir; GatherRing Handbell Choir; Desra Dabney, flute; FPC Choral Scholars: Joicy Carvalho, BK Riha, Zach Sanford, Susan Roush Guest Musicians: Brandon Ising, Matt Pileski, Jeremy Ong, Bird Birmingham, Sakda Pharchumcharna
A/V Technician:	Robbie Riffle

ANNOUNCEMENTS

November 24, 2024

TODAY

Fellowship

We have coffee, snacks, and conversations starting at 9:30 a.m. and again following worship in the Parlor.

Godly Play today our children will explore receiving the light, based on John 8:12.

THIS WEEK

Hanging of the Greens

Monday, November 25, 3:00-5:00 p.m., Sanctuary, Fellowship Hall

Join us as we “deck the halls” for the Advent/Christmas season. We will gather and decorate throughout the church then share a meal following. A sign-up sheet is outside the Church Office.

Church Office Closed

The Church Office will be closed for the Thanksgiving holiday on Thursday, November 28 and Friday, November 29.

HIGHLIGHTS

Onward and Upward

Thursday, December 12, 11:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

We will enjoy sounds of the season as we **Carol with Clint**. We will also have an ugly/funny Christmas sweater/shirt contest so wear your best holiday apparel. Lunch will be provided. RSVP outside the office and be sure to invite your friends!

Youth Advent Mission Project

November 17-December 15

Our youth will introduce our mission focus for December. We are collecting items and money for Church World Service Clean Up Buckets. Lists are available in the Narthex and weekly E-Newsletter. We have a goal of 15 buckets, with a value of \$1,200. Monetary donations are needed as there are particular items to be purchased and to cover the \$3 fee per bucket.
Contact: Beth Niemeyer

Bucket Brigade Packing Party

Sunday, December 15, 11:00 a.m. Fellowship Hall

Join us following worship as our youth lead us in assembling our Clean Up Buckets. We will have refreshments and pack our buckets. Everyone can help!

HIGHLIGHTS

Caroling Caravan

Following the Bucket Brigade Packing Party, we will divide into groups and go caroling to our at-home members. All ages are welcome. A sign-up sheet is outside the Church Office.

Parents Night Out - Third Sunday Family Faith Formation

Sunday, December 15, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

This evening parents can “take the night off” from the kids to catch up on shopping or just catch your breath. Please RSVP for dinner by Thursday, December 12.

Contact: Leslee Kirkconnell

Advent/Christmas Décor

Please consider donating to the Sanctuary decorations of poinsettias and pines. There will be envelopes in the pews and your tributes will be included in the Christmas Eve worship bulletin.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Women of Faith

Mondays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Parlor

This group is open to all women. The only requirement is a desire to continue your faith journey. We discuss a variety of spiritual studies.

Contact: Mary Alice Patrickson

MUSIC MINISTRY

Join a Choir for Christmas!

This is a great time of year to come be part of the Music Ministry. Whether singing, playing handbells, or playing a musical instrument, we have a place for you!

Chancel Choir

Wednesdays, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Choir Room

Lend your voice to the chorus! The Chancel Choir sings at the 10:00 a.m. worship services during the program year.

GatherRing Handbell Choir

Tuesdays, 1:30-2:30 p.m., Sanctuary

All you need to know is how to read rhythms and know your right hand from your left hand. This is a great way to work together as a team to create beautiful music for our worship services. Contact Clint Miller to get involved!

FELLOWSHIP

Fellowship “Hour”

Sundays, 9:30 a.m. and following worship, Parlor

Join us for coffee, water, treats, and social time to gather with friends and greet one another.

Contact: Suzi Healy

Lunch Bunch

Thursdays, 12:00 p.m., Room 113

Bring your sack lunch and join the fellowship with one another for a casual lunch time every week! On the second Thursdays, this group joins Onward and Upward.

Contact: Beth Niemeyer

Knit Wits

Fridays, 9:30-11:30 a.m., Room 113

Bring your needles, yarn, and great spirit to share time together knitting prayer shawls and other crafts. Don't knit, but do other crafts? Every crafter welcome!

Contact: Deb Watson

CHILDREN, YOUTH, AND FAMILIES

Sunday Morning Faith Formation

First, Third, and Fourth Sundays, 11:00 a.m.-12:00 p.m., Choir Room

The first Sunday of each month is *Motion & Movement*—having sat in worship for an hour this is an opportunity to move our bodies and expend some energy with exciting games and activities. The third and fourth (and fifth) Sundays, youth and children will join *Worship Explorers!* where children and youth will learn about parts of our worship experience, creating musical ventures in our worship service, leading prayers and readings, and help tell our Biblical stories in creative ways. Contact Clint Miller for more information.

Second Sundays, 11:00 a.m., Great Room

Children and Youth have the opportunity to assist with preparing and serving the Community Dinner.

Third Sunday Family Faith Formation

Sunday, December 15, 5:00-7:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall.

We begin with dinner at 5:00 p.m. following food and reflection, we divide up and enjoy a time of Christian Formation for ALL ages. Jessica Commeret will lead adults, Leslee Kirkconnell will lead youth, and Meg Ramlow will lead children K-5th grade. Childcare will be provided for those 4 years old and younger following dinner.

Contact: Leslee Kirkconnell

Mom Co Meet Up Monthly Meeting

Wednesday, December 11, 9:00-11:30 a.m. Fellowship Hall; Child Care beginning at 8:45 a.m. in Room 107C.

We continue our monthly meet up of moms of all-age children. Childcare is provided. Refreshments, fellowship, community. Join us!

Contact: Leslee Kirkconnell

MISSION

Mobile Food Pantry

Saturday, December 7, 7:30 a.m., Great Room

FPC hosts four mobile food pantry distributions throughout the year in cooperation with Chopin Hall and other community service organizations to provide food for the hungry throughout our community. To get involved, contact Katie Abbott at katie.n.abbott@gmail.com.

Community Dinner

Sunday, December 8, 11:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Great Room

The Community Dinner outreach provides a nutritious home-cooked meal on the 2nd Sunday of each month to the Findlay community. Volunteers meet at 9:00 a.m. on the 2nd Saturday to prep the meal. The Community Dinner is a great way to show God's love through the gift of food and fellowship. Sign up to help outside the Church Office or contact Tracy Kennedy.

Darrel the Barrel

This month: Onion, Garlic, and Chili Powders

City Mission asks for donations for specific items each month to help feed, house, and care for the unhoused in our community. As we go deeper into partnership with them, particularly Martha's Home, filling Darrel will enable them to use their resources more efficiently for all those who seek their help. The Barrel is located in the Narthex.

ONLINE GIVING

To the right is a QR Code. You can open the camera on your smartphone and be connected to our Giving page via a link pop up. We encourage you to use this method to give as we pass the offering plate. Thank you!



Mom Co Needs Loving Arms

Wednesday, December 11, 8:45-11:45 a.m., Room 107C

We need one volunteer willing to rock babies during our Mom Co Meet Up. There is a sign-up sheet outside the office. Volunteers must have a current background check. Contact: Leslee Kirkconnell

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