

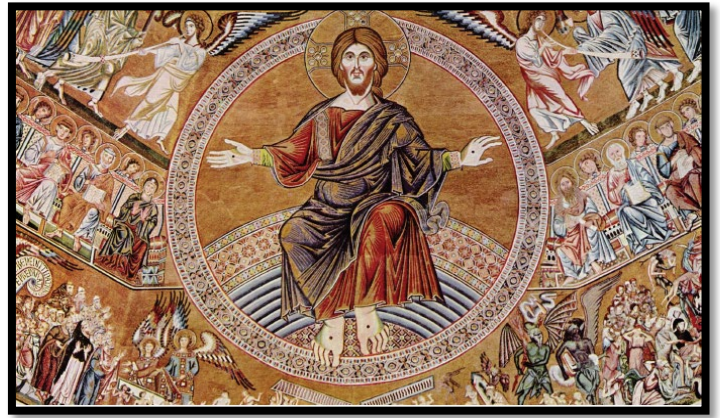
Community of Faith United Methodist Church

November 21, 2021

8:30 AM

Christ the King Sunday

Worship Guide



Christ in Judgment, Florence, Italy, 1300

Today we mark the feast of Christ the King. It is a day for expressing our faith that, even though Christ was rejected and crucified, he rose and ascended, and forever reigns with the Creator and the Holy Spirit in glory. Jesus's reign means that no mighty power, no tragic suffering, no evil force will have the last word; the last word is Jesus. It also means we may look to Jesus's life - his humility, his sacrifice, his compassion for outcasts - for a model of true kingship. Our loyalty to this Christ goes before our loyalty to any other claim on our lives. Today is the last Sunday of the liturgical year: next week a new year begins with the first Sunday in Advent.

THOUGHT FOR THE MORNING

It helps now and then to step back and take the long view. The Kingdom is not only beyond our efforts, it is even beyond our vision. We accomplish in our lifetime only a tiny fraction of the magnificent enterprise that is God's work. . . . We cannot do everything, and there is a sense of liberation in realizing that. This enables us to do something, and to do it very well. . . . We may never see the end results, but that is the difference between the master builder and the worker. We are workers, not master builders. . . . We are prophets of a future not our own. -- Archbishop Oscar Romero

MUSIC OF PRAISE

He is Exalted #2070

We will Glorify the King of Kings #2087

OPENING PRAYER

*HYMN

Turn Your Eyes upon Jesus UMH #349

A COLLECT PRAYER OF RESISTANCE

A collect inspired by John 18:33-37

God of grace, love, power, and resistance: You delivered your Son into this world to testify to the truth. Mobilize us. Give us the nerve to continuously take up the project of liberation like Christ the King. Give us the courage to eagerly respond to your call to advocate for justice and peace in our communities, so that the oppressed will be set free. It is because of the Spirit that gives each one the sustenance needed to do this hard work, we pray. Amen.

SCRIPTURE LESSON

Revelation 1:4b-8

Grace to you and peace from him who is and who was and who is to come, and from the seven spirits who are before his throne, and from Jesus Christ, the faithful witness, the firstborn of the dead, and the ruler of the kings of the earth. To him who loves us and freed us from our sins by his blood, and made us to be a kingdom, priests serving his God and Father, to him be glory and dominion forever and ever. Amen. Look! He is coming with the clouds; every eye will see him, even those who pierced him; and on his account all the tribes of the earth will

wail. So it is to be. Amen. "I am the Alpha and the Omega," says the Lord God, who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty.

John 18:33-37

Then Pilate entered the headquarters again, summoned Jesus, and asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" Jesus answered, "Do you ask this on your own, or did others tell you about me?" Pilate replied, "I am not a Jew, am I? Your own nation and the chief priests have handed you over to me. What have you done?" Jesus answered, "My kingdom is not from this world. If my kingdom were from this world, my followers would be fighting to keep me from being handed over to the Jews. But as it is, my kingdom is not from here." Pilate asked him, "So you are a king?" Jesus answered, "You say that I am a king. For this I was born, and for this I came into the world, to testify to the truth. Everyone who belongs to the truth listens to my voice."

WITNESS TO THE WORD

Rev. Katherine Malloy

PRAYERS OF THE COMMUNITY & THE LORD'S PRAYER

GIVING OF BREAD & CUP

*BLESSING & DISMISSAL

Go Now in Peace

UMH #665

*Go now in peace, go now in peace,
may the love of God surround you,
everywhere, everywhere you.*



**Due to CoVid health precautions, there are several changes in our usual order of service. There is less liturgy and music, and the entire service is planned to be briefer, providing a shorter amount of time inside. Our refreshments are found "on the patio" outside the entrance doors to allow for a more relaxed fellowship time. As conditions change, so will our protocols. Thank you for your patience and gentleness with one another as we seek to find safer ways to be together.*

Announcements

Adult Church School meets at 9:30 AM and is a hybrid experience – both in-person and online. To experience it online, you will find the Zoom link in Friday and today's email or [click here](#).

Financial Contributions

Offerings may be made online at the church website www.cofumc.org, by texting to 73256 and in the message, enter COFUMC, or checks can be mailed to 13224 Franklin Farm Road, Herndon, VA 20171-4034.

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What's Happening this Week

SUNDAY (November 21) Indoor Worship 8:30 & 10:30AM

SUNDAY (November 21) Adult Sunday School 9:30AM

SUNDAY (November 21) Youth 10:30AM

SUNDAY (November 21) Christian Worship Assembly 1PM

SUNDAY (November 21) Charge Conference

MONDAY & TUESDAY MORNINGS – Food Distribution Prep @11AM

MONDAY-FRIDAY (November 22) Oak Hill Preschool
TUESDAY (November 23) Food Distribution 4:30 – 6:00PM
TUESDAY (November 23) Vespers with Pastor Rob
WEDNESDAY (November 24) Boy Scouts 7PM
THURSDAY (November 25) Thanksgiving Day
FRIDAY (November 26) Office Closed
SUNDAY (December 12) Drive Thru Nativity 2-4PM

Prayers

Thanksgiving for Scouting for Food
Paige Warmbrunn De Cruz for projected heart transplant
Maurla White, Marcia Johnston, Alayne Leang, Gail Harman, Betty Dudley

For our parents and families

Raj Bartakke's dad on recovery from pneumonia
Chuck, Suzanne Jewell's step-father, upon the death of his son
Jack & Jennifer Folsom's marriage vow affirmation
Charlie & Hannah Folsom's pregnancy
Dan, brother-in-law of Terri Orvis, upon the death of his father
Jackie, Mary Ann East's mom after a fall
Vinny, recovery from a heart event (brother of Gwen Zavin)
Mark, Greg Carter's brother
Tracy – prayers for cancer treatment (colleague of Gwen)
Jenna, for cancer surgery (Rich Rosenberg's cousin)
Mark, for living with Alzheimer's (brother of Joel David)
Danny Perez, father of Di Hannum Beatty
Lara Fries' Aunt Libby & her family in SW VA with pancreatic cancer
Parents of Laura Babbitt (Nancy), Lara Fries (Shelby), Bane Vaughn (Betty Shamburger), Jeff Mowery (Fred), Chris Gohrband (Virginia), Mary Ann East (Jackie), Kim Fuller, Winnie Rosenberger's mom (Margaret)

For Friends & Neighbors

Sara Marie (colleague of Mike Folsom) for health
TD, a former co-worker of Steve Greenberg upon recovery from injuries from a traumatic fall
Rosemarie (work colleague of Jocelyn Gabriel)
Marilyn Lay (friend of Marcia Johnson)

For our state, nation and world

Health care workers
COP26 for effective work

Welcome

Whoever welcomes you welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes the one who sent me. (Matthew 10:40)

At Community of Faith, we believe each individual is of sacred worth and dignity as part of God's creation and as demonstrated by the life and ministry of Jesus Christ. We celebrate the beautiful diversity of all races, nationalities, and ethnicities. We welcome and affirm you whether you are rich or poor; love the Church, have never been to Church, or have been wounded by spiritual communities; gay, straight, or whatever your gender identity, expression, and sexual orientation may be; married or single; a person with children or without children; able-bodied, differently-abled, or challenged with mental or emotional health issues; certain of many things or full of questions. We vow to be a safe community truly open to everyone to grow in faith - God's love has no bounds.



Ministers - The Entire Congregation

*Lay Leaders – Jocelyn Gabriel & Ghazel Chilan | Music Director: Mary Ann East
Music Accompanist: Kelly Nam | Children's Coordinator – Kelli Timanus | Nursery Care – Miyo Shimoda Youth
Director & Food Ministry Administrator: Hannah Godfrey | Office Manager – Di Hannum Beatty
District Superintendent – Sara Calvert | Bishop – Sharma Lewis*



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