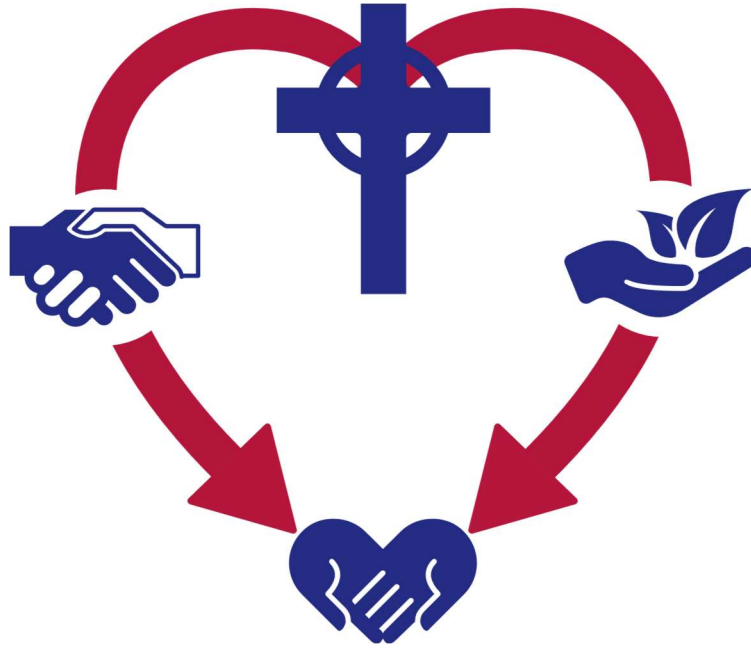
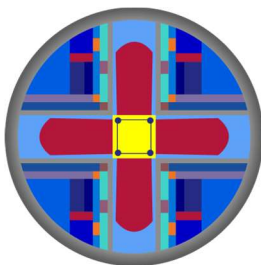


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by **Connecting**, **Growing**, and **Serving**.



A Service of Worship for the Lord's Day
Christ the King Sunday
November 24, 2024

Welcome! If you are visiting, please use the QR code on the visitor card found in the pew rack to share your information online or fill out the back of the card and drop it in the offering plate. Prayer cards, with the same options, are also available and we invite you to share your concerns and allow us to pray with you.



St. Andrews
Presbyterian Church

We Gather to Worship God

*Congregation stands as noted

Chiming of the Hour

Welcome and Announcements

Introit

Call to Worship (Philippians 2)

Leader: Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited,

People: but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness.

Leader: And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death - even death on the cross.

People: Therefore, God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name,

Leader: so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and earth and under the earth,

**People: and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.
Amen.**

Invocation

*Opening Hymn #53

“O God, Who Gives Us Life”

We Acknowledge Our Brokenness and Seek Reconciliation with God

Preparing Our Hearts for Confession - “Confession”
(front cover of hymnal)

Words/Music by Kenneth Jones

Lord, I come before you, asking your forgiveness. I am broken, I have faltered. I have turned from you.
Create in me a new heart. Fill me with your love. Grant that I receive your grace, I pray.

Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Amen.

Prayer of Confession (Responsive) (Jeremiah 17)

Leader: Thus says the Lord: Cursed are those who trust in mere mortals and make mere flesh their strength, whose hearts turn away from the Lord.

People: They shall be like a shrub in the desert and shall not see when relief comes. They shall live in the parched places of the wilderness, in an uninhabited salt land.

Leader: Blessed are those who trust in the Lord, whose trust is the Lord.

People: They shall be like a tree planted by water, sending out its roots by the stream. It shall not fear when heat comes, and its leaves shall stay green; in the year of drought it is not anxious, and it does not cease to bear fruit.

Leader: The heart is devious above all else; it is perverse— who can understand it? I the Lord test the mind and search the heart, to give to all according to their ways, according to the fruit of their doings.

People: Like the partridge hatching what it did not lay, so are all who amass wealth unjustly; in midlife it will leave them, and at their end they will prove to be fools.

Leader: O glorious throne, exalted from the beginning, shrine of our sanctuary!

People: O hope of Israel! O Lord! All who forsake you shall be put to shame; those who turn away from you shall be recorded in the underworld, for they have forsaken the fountain of living water, the Lord.

Leader: Heal me, O Lord, and I shall be healed;

People: save me, and I shall be saved, for you are my praise.

Time of Silent Reflection and Personal Prayer of Confession

Leader: And all the people of Christ say,

People: Amen.

***Assurance of Pardon (Jeremiah 31)**

Leader: Thus says the LORD: The people who survived the sword found grace in the wilderness; when Israel sought for rest, the LORD appeared to me from far away. I have loved you with an everlasting love; therefore I have continued my faithfulness to you. Again I will build you, and you shall be built, O virgin Israel! Again you shall adorn yourself with your tambourines and go forth in the dance of the merrymakers. Again you shall plant vineyards on the mountains of Samaria; the planters shall plant and shall enjoy the fruit. For there shall be a day when sentinels will call in the hill country of Ephraim: Come, let us go up to Zion, to the Lord our God."

People: Thanks be to God!

***Thanks for God's Forgiveness (#647; no repeats)**

***Passing of the Peace**

Leader: Grace to you, and peace from God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

***Transition Hymn #658**

"God Is So Good"

We Respond to God's Faithfulness in Our Life

Offering Our Lives to Jesus through Our Time, Gifts, and Resources

(see the 'Giving' card in the pew rack for information about options for digital giving)

***Doxology (#606)**

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise God all creatures here below;
Praise God above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.

God's Word Is Read and Proclaimed

Time for Young Disciples

(Children that have not yet finished 1st Grade are dismissed at this time for Children's Church)

Special Music

“In Thanksgiving, Let Us Praise Him”
arr. Lloyd Larson

Chancel Choir

Scripture Reading

Jeremiah 36:1-8, 21-23, 27-28; 31:31-34

Leader: This is the word of God for the people of God.

People: Thanks be to God.

Proclamation of God’s Word

Rev. AJ Ochart

“Preservation of the Truth”

Responding to God’s Word

***Affirmation of Our Faith (Heidelberg Catechism - Responsive)**

Leader: What is your only comfort, in life and in death?

People: That I belong body and soul, in life and in death not to myself but to my faithful Savior, Jesus Christ, who at the cost of his own blood has fully paid for all my sins and has completely freed me from the dominion of the devil; that he protects me so well that without the will of my Father in heaven not a hair can fall from my head; indeed, that everything must fit his purpose for my salvation. Therefore, by the Holy Spirit, he also assures me of eternal life, and makes me wholeheartedly willing and ready from now on to live for him.

***Responsive Hymn #697**

“Take My Life”

Time of Meditation, Reflection

Jeremiah 33:14-16

Preparing Our Hearts for Prayer (#471)

“O Lord, Hear My Prayer”

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. When I call answer me.

O Lord, hear my prayer. O Lord, hear my prayer. Come and listen to me.

Prayers for the People

Shelby Wood

Sending Out Into the World

***Sending Hymn #36**

“For the Fruit of All Creation”

***Charge and Blessing**

***Congregational Benediction #747**

“The Lord Now Sends Us Forth”

***Postlude**

Sanctuary Flowers – The flowers were placed in the sanctuary by Leila Moore in memory of Charles Moore and Margaret Burnett.

Thank you for choosing to worship with us today. We hope you were blessed so you can go and be a witness to Christ’s love in the world. May your spirits be renewed for the days ahead.



Rev. AJ Ochart, Pastor
Kenneth Jones, Director of Music
Millie Shiflett, Accompanist
Phil Beckwith, Lay Leader

