

Sunday, November 23, 2025

Last Sunday of Kingdom Time Christ the King Sunday Communion Sunday

Welcome & Announcements

Pastor Tim Valentino

Organ Voluntary

1. Preparation For the King
Corelli / Mansfield
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Reflection 2. Savior, Like a Shepherd Lead Us - Bradbury / Root

Call to Worship: Psalm 145:1, 21 Pastor Tim Valentino (Responsive) Faye Hipkiss

I will praise your name for ever and ever.

²¹ My mouth will speak in praise of the LORD.

Let every creature praise his holy name for ever and ever.

Opening Hymn 63: Praise Him! Praise Him! Congregation

Prayer of Adoration Pastor Tim Valentino

Hospital Visitor This Week: Marlin Bohannon, 717-383-1153

Lector	Kaye Focht	Children's Church Leader	Tracy Farmer & Doris Whitt
Responder	Faye Hipkiss	Nursery	Christie & Dave Dennis
Organist	Pat Shroff	Narthex Greeters	Kaye & Dave Focht
Pianist	Shelley Miller	Sound Technician	Bob Long
Flutist	Shirley Long	Video Technician	Andrew Valentino
Violin	Rebecca Sorg	Lead Pastor	Rev. Dr. Timothy Valentino
Trumpeter, Pianist, Vocalist	Marcy Garman, Sonya Valentino	Visitation Minister	Pat Strain
Guitarist	Scott Auchenbach	Counters (November)	Kaye Focht, Vivian Hardy
Vocalist	Susie Auchenbach	Director of Buildings & Gro	unds Will Robertson
Hymn Leader, Office Administrator Maureen Logan			

Bread: Tim Valentino • Cup: Kirby Keller • Cup: Pat Strain
Shoebox and Communion Usher: Gene Bugg • Shoebox and Communion Usher: Mike Oswald

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¹ I will exalt you, my God the King;

The Old Testament Reading:

Jeremiah 23:1-6

Kaye Focht

¹ "Woe to the shepherds who are destroying and scattering the sheep of my pasture!" declares the LORD. ²Therefore this is what the LORD, the God of Israel, says to the shepherds who tend my people: "Because you have scattered my flock and driven them away and have not bestowed care on them, I will bestow punishment on you for the evil you have done," declares the LORD. 3 "I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the countries where I have driven them and will bring them back to their pasture, where they will be fruitful and increase in number. ⁴I will place shepherds over them who will tend them, and they will no longer be afraid or terrified, nor will any be missing," declares the LORD.

⁵ "The days are coming," declares the LORD, "when I will raise up for David a righteous Branch, a King who will reign wisely and do what is just and right in the land. ⁶ In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. This is the name by which he will be called: The LORD Our Righteous Savior.

Psalm 46:1-11 (Responsive) Kaye Focht/Faye Hipkiss The Response:

¹God is our refuge and strength, an ever-present help in trouble.

²Therefore we will not fear, though the earth give way and the mountains fall into the heart of the sea,

³ though its waters roar and foam and the mountains quake with their surging.

⁴There is a river whose streams make glad the city of God, the holy place where the Most High dwells.

⁵God is within her, she will not fall; God will help her at break of day.

⁶ Nations are in uproar, kingdoms fall; he lifts his voice, the earth melts.

⁷The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

⁸Come and see what the LORD has done. the desolations he has brought on the earth.

⁹ He makes wars cease to the ends of the earth.

He breaks the bow and shatters the spear: he burns the shields with fire.

¹⁰ He says, "Be still, and know that I am God: I will be exalted among the nations, I will be exalted in the earth."

¹¹The LORD Almighty is with us; the God of Jacob is our fortress.

The Gospel Reading:

Luke 23:33-43

Kave Focht

(please stand)

³³ When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him there, along with the criminals—one on his right, the other on his left. ³⁴ Jesus said, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing." t And they divided up his clothes by casting lots.

³⁵The people stood watching, and the rulers even sneered at him. They said, "He saved others; let him save himself if he is God's Messiah, the Chosen One."

³⁶ The soldiers also came up and mocked him. They offered him wine vinegar ³⁷ and said, "If you are the king of the Jews, save yourself."

³⁸There was a written notice above him, which read: THIS IS THE KING OF THE JEWS.

³⁹ One of the criminals who hung there hurled insults at him: "Aren't you the Messiah? Save yourself and us!"

⁴⁰ But the other criminal rebuked him. "Don't you fear God," he said, "since you are under the same sentence? 41 We are punished justly, for we are getting what our deeds deserve. But this man has done nothing wrong."

⁴²Then he said, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom."

⁴³ Jesus answered him, "Truly I tell you, today you will be with me in paradise."

Worship in Giving:

1 Chronicles 29:9

Pastor Tim Valentino

⁹The people rejoiced at the willing response of their leaders, for they had given freely and wholeheartedly to the LORD. David the king also rejoiced greatly.

Presentation of OCC Shoeboxes:

Congregation

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Bring a Gift of Love

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 Spirit; born of the Virgin Mary; suffered under Pontius Pilate; was crucified, dead, and buried; He descended to the dead; the third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven; and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit; The holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

Doxology

556: Praise God from Whom **All Blessings Flow**

Congregation

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

Praise & Worship

King of Kings

Congregation

In the darkness We were waiting Without hope Without light Till from heaven You came running There was mercy in Your eyes To fulfill the law and prophets To a virgin came the Word From a throne of endless glory To a cradle in the dirt

ICHORUSI

Praise the Father, Praise the Son Praise the Spirit, Three in one God of glory, Majesty Praise forever to the King of Kings

To reveal the kingdom coming And to reconcile the lost To redeem the whole creation You did not despise the cross For even in your suffering You saw to the other side

Knowing this was our salvation Jesus for our sake you died

IREPEAT CHORUSI

And the morning that You rose All of heaven held its breath Till that stone was moved for good For the Lamb had conquered death And the dead rose from their tombs And the angels stood in awe For the souls of all who'd come To the Father are restored

And the church of Christ was born Then the Spirit lit the flame Now this gospel truth of old Shall not kneel Shall not faint By His blood and in His name In His freedom I am free For the love of Jesus Christ Who has resurrected me

[REPEAT CHORUS]

Praise forever to the King of Kings

Behold the Lamb who bears our sins away, Slain for us: and we remember: The promise made that all who come in faith He drained death's cup that all may enter in Find forgiveness at the cross. So we share in this Bread of life, And we drink of His sacrifice. As a sign of our bonds of peace Around the table of the King.

The body of our Saviour, Jesus Christ, Torn for you: eat and remember The wounds that heal. the death that brings us life, Paid the price to make us one. So we share in this Bread of Life. And we drink of His sacrifice As a sign of our bonds of love Around the table of the King.

The blood that cleanses every stain of sin, Shed for you: drink and remember To receive the life of God. So we share in this Bread of Life. And we drink of His sacrifice, As a sign of our bonds of grace Around the table of the King.

And so with thankfulness and faith We rise to respond: and to remember Our call to follow in the steps of Christ As His body here on earth. As we share in His suffering, We proclaim: Christ will come again! And we'll join in the feast of heaven Around the table of the King.

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Sermon

All in. Part 8:

Pastor Tim Valentino

Lord of Our Destiny (Matt 7:21-29; John 6:37-40)

Prayer led by Pastor

Pastor Tim Valentino

MINISTRY OF THE TABLE

Pastor Tim Valentino

Sursum Corda

Pastor: The Lord be with you.

People: And also with you.

Pastor: Lift up your hearts.

People: We lift them to the Lord.

Pastor: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: It is right to give him thanks and praise,

Pastor: For he has given us his Son. Hallelujah!

Sanctus (sung)

All: Your name is the highest,

Your name is the greatest,

Your name stands above them all.

All thrones and dominions, All powers, and positions,

Your name, stands above them all.

And the angels cry, "Holy." All creation cries, "Holy." You are lifted high,

Holy, holy forever.

Hear Your people sing, "Holy." To the King of kings, "Holy."

You will always be Holy, holy forever.

Memorial Acclamation

Pastor: Let us proclaim the mystery of faith:

All: Christ has died,

Christ is risen,

Christ will come again.

Pastor: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed for us.

People: Therefore, let us keep the feast.

Pastor: The gifts of God for the people of God.

Words of Institution, Fraction, and Pouring

Pastor: On the night that Jesus was betrayed, he took the bread,

and he gave thanks. "Blessed are you, Lord our God, king of the universe, who brings forth bread from the earth."

And when Jesus had given thanks, he broke it, and gave it to his disciples, saying, "Take and eat. This is my body which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me."

People: Behold, the Lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world.

Pastor: And after the supper, Jesus took the cup, and he gave

thanks. "Blessed are you, Lord our God, king of the universe, who brings forth fruit from the vine."

And when Jesus had given thanks, he poured the cup, and gave it to his disciples, saying. "Take and drink. This cup is the new covenant in my blood, shed for the remission of sin. Do this in remembrance of me."

People: To him who loves us and has freed us from our sins by his blood, to him be glory and

power for ever and ever! Amen.

Pastor: Whenever we eat this bread and drink this cup,

we proclaim the Lord's death until he comes.

Eucharistic Prayer

Pastor: Let us pray.

Prayer Led by Pastor

Pastor Tim Valentino

People: 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,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Invitation to Commune

- The Bread of Holy Communion
- The Cup of Holy Communion

AGNUS DEI

Alleluia, alleluia
For the Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia, alleluia
For the Lord God Almighty reigns
Alleluia
Holy, holy
Are you Lord God, almighty
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb
You are holy, holy
Are you Lord God, almighty
Worthy is the Lamb, worthy is the Lamb
Amen

Words of Thanksgiving: Congregation

Prayer & Invitation Led by Pastor Pastor Tim Valentino

Closing Hymn 513: Sing the Wondrous Love of Jesus Congregation

Benediction Pastor Tim Valentino

Organ Postlude Come, Ye Thankful People Come Pat Shroff - Elvey / Broughton



LOOKING AHEAD

★ Sign-up Sheet in the Narthex

Sunday, November 23 @ 10:30 a.m. CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY / COMMUNION

Sunday, November 23 OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD Boxes collected today.

Sunday, November 23 @ 12:15 p.m. BUILDING & GROUNDS MEETING in Zinn Commons

Wednesday, November 26 BIBLE STUDY & PRAYER • CANCELED • HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING!

 $\textbf{Saturday}, \textbf{November 29} \hspace{0.2cm} \underline{\textbf{MYERSTOWN HOLIDAY PARADE}} \textbf{X} \hspace{0.2cm} \textbf{Join us walking! Sign-up sheet in narthex}$

 $\textbf{Monday, December 8} \ \ \textcircled{a} \ 6:30 \ p.m. \ \underline{MINISTRY \ COUNCIL \ MEETING} \cdot Zinn \ Commons$

Thursday, December 11 @ 7:00 p.m. <u>WOMEN OF FAITH</u> in the Student Lounge <u>MEN OF ADVENTURE</u> at the home of Kirby Keller

Sunday, December 14 $\,$ CHURCH CHRISTMAS DINNER $\,$ @ 12:15 p.m. in Zinn Commons. $\!\star\!$

Wednesday, December 24 @ 7:00 p.m. CHRISTMAS EVE CANDLELIGHT SERVICE in the sanctuary. Invite a friend!

Sunday, December 28 @ 9:00 a.m.The <u>CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST</u>
AND COOKIE SHARING in Zinn Commons.

Start collecting for VBS Crafts & Decorations!

- · Paper towel rolls
- Toilet paper rolls
- Wrapping paper rolls

NEW CONTACT INFO

David & Donna Greulich 203 Oak Hill Village 1020 North Union Street Middletown PA 17057 David: 717-454-7530 (C) Donna: 222-316-9307 (C)

SHARING CUPBOARD NEEDS

Spaghetti Sauce • Canned Fruit • Soup • Cereal
 Snack Foods • Peanut Butter • Corn • Chips & Pretzels
 Cookies & Crackers • Spaghetti • Liquid & Bar Soap

• Toothpaste • Women's Care Items

PRAYER REQUESTS:

If you have any prayer requests for distribution, please send them to Pastor Tim at pastortim@christcomm.church or (484) 269-4313.

SPECIAL CHRISTMAS ACTIVITIES AT CHRIST COMMUNITY

SUNDAY

December 14

Sign up now for the Church Family Luncheon to be held after the worship service.

WEDNESDAY

December 24

The Christmas Eve candlelight service begins at 7:00 p.m. in the sanctuary. *Invite a friend!*

SUNDAY

December 28

The continental breakfast and cookie exchange begins at 9:00 a.m. in Zinn Commons.

Invite your friends and neighbors

Christmas Eve Invitation Postcards available in the narthex.



Please join us for our
Christmas Eve CANDLELIGHT SERVICE
December 24 @ 7 p.m.

Please pick up **Pastor Tim's Advent Mailing** if you didn't receive one yet!

(found in the narthex)