

WE GATHER TO WORSHIP

Prelude Strength in Stillness Matt Schinske
Welcome and Announcements Pastor. Jim Truesdell
*Call to Worship Elder Stanley Hand

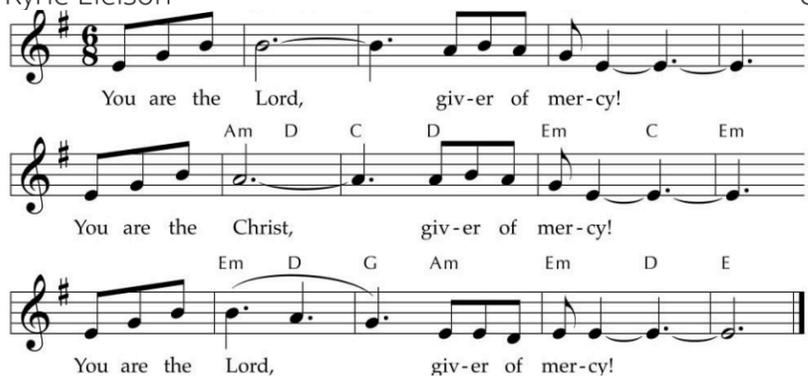
Cry out with joy to the LORD, all the earth. Worship the LORD with gladness. Come into God's presence with singing!

For the Lord is gracious God, whose mercy is everlasting; and whose faithfulness endures to all generations.

*Hymn of Praise All People That on Earth Do Dwell #385
*Call to Confession Stanley Hand
*Prayer of Confession Unison

Righteous God, you have crowed Jesus Christ as Lord of all. We confess that we have not bowed before him and are slow to acknowledge his rule. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and fail to be governed by the justice and love of Jesus. In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim him as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors, obeying the commands of Lord Jesus Christ

* Kyrie Eleison Unison



You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!
You are the Christ, giv-er of mer-cy!
You are the Lord, giv-er of mer-cy!

*Assurance of Pardon Pastor. Truesdell

* The Gloria Patri Unison

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost; as it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end; Amen.

* Sharing the Peace of Christ

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you all.

All: And also with you.

WE LISTEN TO GOD'S WORD

"This Little Light of Mine"
Time with Young Disciples DeAnna McNeil
Prayer for Illumination Stanley Hand
First Reading Colossians 1: 11-20 p. 1,165
Anthem Somebody Bigger than You and I Susan Spencer soloist
Second Reading Luke 23: 33-43 pgs. 1,046 Pastor. Truesdell
Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.
All: Thanks be to God.
Sermon "King's Cross" Pastor. Truesdell

WE RESPOND TO GOD'S GRACE

* Affirmation of Faith Unison
The Apostles' Creed
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 Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic Church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting. Amen.

*Hymn of Preparation Crown Him with Many Crowns #268

Sacrament of The Lord's Supper

Invitation to the Table Pastor. Truesdell

The Communion Prayer

The Lord be with you.

And also with you.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right to give our thanks and praise.

Prayers of The People Pastor. Truesdell

The Lord's Prayer

Unison

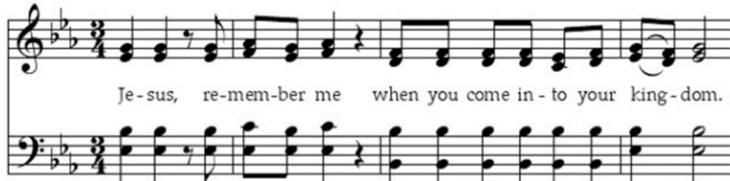
Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

The Words of Institution Pastor. Truesdell

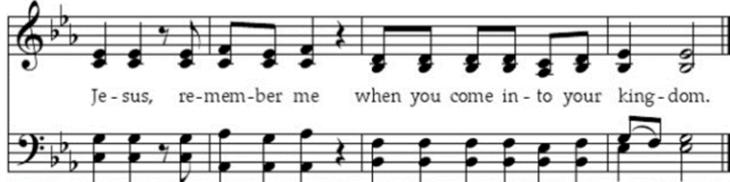
Sharing the Bread and Cup

Please hold each element until all have been served.

Jesus, Remember Me 227



Je-sus, re-mem-ber me when you come in - to your king - dom.



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Prayer After Communion Pastor. Truesdell

Invitation to Worship God with Our Offering

Offertory Thanks for the Blessings You Give John Turner

*Doxology

**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. Amen.**

*Hymn of Praise All Hail, the Power of Jesus' Name #263

*Charge and Benediction Pastor. Truesdell

*Hymn of Sending Give Thanks #647

* Postlude Redeemed, How I Love to Proclaim It Molly Ijames

**Stand if you are able*

PRAYER REQUESTS

CHURCH FAMILY

Marv & Elizabeth Price (Health) Duane Counter (Health & Healing)
Doris Welch (Home) Suzanne Weeks (Healing)
Dean Steele Jac Catlett
Susie Fogg (Home) Diane Lynn (Health)
Sharon Massey Gale Cottles (Healing)
Melvin & Ruth Clem (Health) Ken (Healing) and Connie Brown
Debbi O'Neill (Healing) Betty Fae Spencer (Healing)
Carol Quillen (Healing) Johnathon Cagle (Healing)
Gene Quillen (Healing) Bonnie Noel (Healing)
Stephen Ware (Healing) Charlotte Lyle (Healing)

THOSE SERVING IN THE MILITARY

Brandon Noel - Army Sean Miller - Army
Adam Naves - Marines Damien Williams - Army
Kevin O'Neill-Army Nat. Guard Michael Ress - USAF -AZ
Joshua Hargrove - Deployed Jay Tulley- Middle East
Justin Ruf- Army Air Guard

FAMILY AND FRIENDS

Larry Harris (Healing, friend of Chris Hilgeman)
Sue Guyer (Health & Healing, Bonny Noel's sister)
Alex Noel (Nephew of John & Bonny Noel)
Hazel Ruf (Mason Ruf's mother, home)
Gary Kilgo (Health, Kay Baugher & Carol Quillen's family member)
Karen Ferguson (Potter's Hand)
Keith Clem (Healing, cousin of Chris Paysinger)
Amy Cotten (Potter's Hand)
Telula Thornton (Healing and Comfort, mother of Karan Baker)
Mike Frehner (Support, friend of David Lyle)
Martha Taylor(Healing, mother of John Cagle)
Silvey Family (Healing, daughter 3 years old)
Maryann McKee (Healing, friend of Carol Copeland)
Shannon Underwood (Healing, daughter of Barbara Welborn)
Cadence Brooks (Healing, student of Cindy Witt)
Jessica (Healing, neighbor of Jan Ruth)
Karryl Anderson (Healing, Mexico mission supporter)
Gerry Smith (Healing for knees, cousin of Jan Ruth)
Tim Swymer (Healing, Lauren Cagle's uncle)
Kristie Whitt (Healing, daughter of Alice Whitt)
Charlotte Pickett (visitor to the church)

FOR OUR VISITORS:

We welcome you to worship and would love to connect. Prayer Request/Visitor cards are located in the pews. Please place it with the offering or give it to the pastor following the service. Thank you for worshipping with us today!

The Session

<u>Class of 2025</u>	<u>Class of 2026</u>	<u>Class of 2027</u>
Karan Baker	Cindy Witt	DeAnna McNeil
Gary Boyd	Stephen Ware	Chris Shindorf
Stanley Hand	Tom Clem	David Lyle

Trustee

John Noel Price Boyd David Whitten

PNC

Hal Baker Karla Barnes Stanley Hand Randi Harbin
Vicki Kellogg John Noel (Chair) Libby Shindorf

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Flowers

The flowers are given to the glory of God. To sign up for flowers call the church office.



Worship Leaders

Sermon

Rev. Dr. Jim Truesdell

Liturgist

Elder Stanley Hand

Musicians:

Erica Hand
Emily Clem
Dr. Mary Crowell

Church Nursery:

November 30th -Katherine Greene
December 7th-Courtney Greene

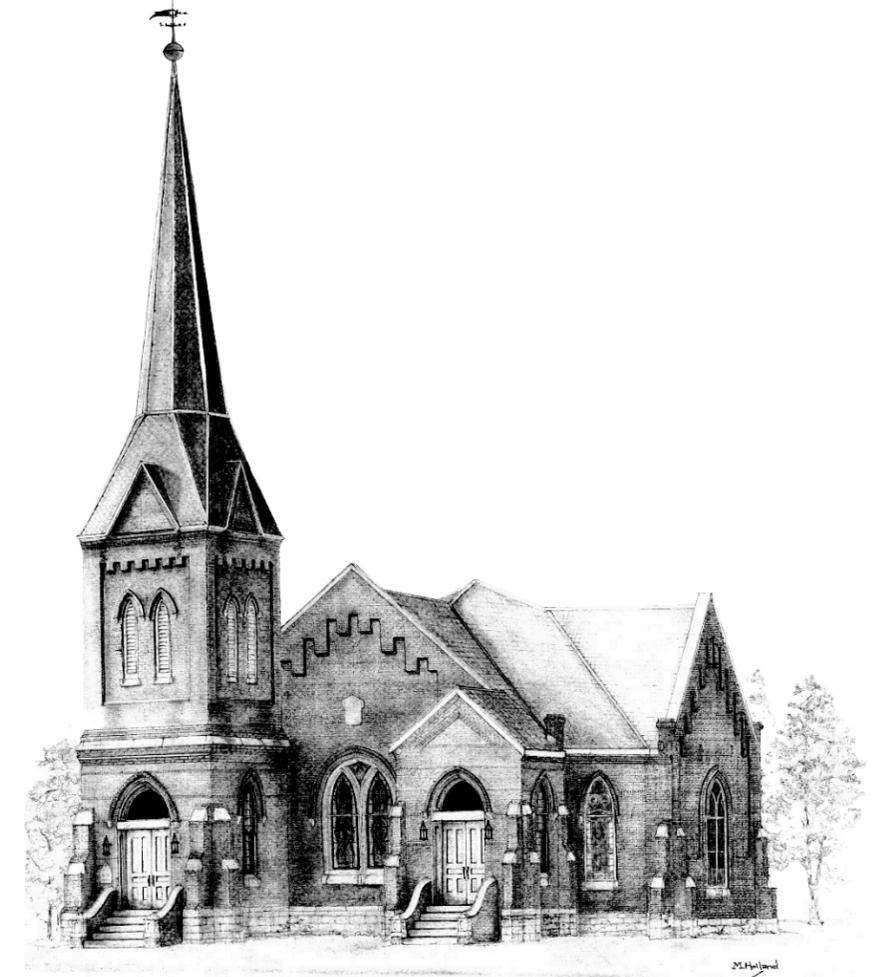
Communion Prep:

December 24th-David Lyle/ Cindy Witt

Prayer Family

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November 23, 2025
Christ the King Sunday



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