



First Presbyterian CHURCH of VIRGINIA BEACH

— THE ORDER OF SERVICE FOR —

Christ the King Sunday

WELCOME

Welcome to worship at First Presbyterian Church of Virginia Beach. All are welcome, and we are so pleased to have you with us this morning as we gather to praise God.

GUESTS

We extend a special welcome to you! Whether this is your first visit with us or your 100th visit, it is a gift to have you among us. In the absence of our usual sign in pads in the pews, please don't hesitate to reach out to Pastor Dee Dee Carson before or after the service, or by phone or email. We are excited you are here and look forward to welcoming you into the life of the church through our ministries. You can find more information on our church website: www.firstpresvb.org.

WORSHIP GUIDE

Items in bold indicate congregational participation. * invites you to stand in body or in spirit. Please silence all mobile devices prior to the start of the service. We will enjoy listening to our hymns but will not sing along just yet. Offering plates will not be passed during the service, but you may place your gifts in plates located in the Narthex or use the QR code on the back of the bulletin to make an electronic offering.

November 21, 2021

THE GATHERING

GREETING

Sharing the Peace of Christ

Leader: The peace of Christ be with you.

People: And also with you.

Leader: Let us welcome one another with the peace of Christ.

VOLUNTARY

Now Thank We All Our God

Setting by Wilbur Held

CALL TO WORSHIP

Leader: Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice.

People: Christ will reign forever and ever.

Leader: We give honor and glory to the Lord of heaven and earth, and we watch for the coming of God's kingdom of righteousness, justice, and peace.

People: Christ will reign forever and ever.

Leader: This day, we give thanks for Christ our Lord, Alpha and Omega, beginning and end.

People: Christ will reign forever and ever.

OPENING PRAYER

CHILDREN'S PROCESSIONAL OF THE FIRST FRUITS

HYMN 151

Crown Him with Many Crowns

DIADEMATA

Crown Him with many crowns, The Lamb upon His throne;
Hark! how the heavenly anthem drowns All music but its own!
Awake, my soul, and sing Of Him who died for thee,
And hail Him as thy matchless King Through all eternity.

Crown Him the Lord of Love: Behold His hands and side,
Rich wounds yet visible above, In beauty glorified: No angel in the sky
Can fully bear that sight, But downward bends his burning eye
At mysteries so bright.

Crown Him the Lord of peace, Whose power a scepter sways
From pole to pole, that wars may cease, Absorbed in prayer and praise:
His reign shall know no end; And round His pierced feet
Fair flowers of Paradise extend Their fragrance ever sweet.

Crown Him the Lord of years, The Potentate of time.
Creator of the rolling spheres, Ineffably sublime. All hail, Redeemer, hail!
For Thou hast died for me; Thy praise shall never, never fail Throughout eternity.

*** CALL TO CONFESSION**

*** PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

Righteous God, you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all, but we love to be lord of our own lives. We give allegiance to the powers of this world and allow other desires or needs to rule our lives. We struggle to live into the proclamation of Jesus as Lord. Help us, O God, to see you as the ultimate authority in this world you have made. May we be governed by your justice and love. May we be ambassadors for your good news and grace into a hurting and broken world. Amen. *(silent prayers and confession)*

*** KYRIE**

Lord, have mercy upon us; Christ, have mercy upon us; Lord, have mercy upon us.

*** DECLARATION OF PARDON**

*** HYMN OF RESPONSE**

Gloria Patri

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.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM (11:00am)

Steele Teplin Wareing, son of Max and Emily Wareing

THE WORD

WORD FOR CHILDREN: SPIRIT BOX

Following this time, children may return to their seats or:

During the 8:30 service, children 4yrs and up are invited to join Belinda Valet for worship and music.

During the 11:00 service, children 4yrs - 2nd grade may join Jacqui Horton for WOW Wonders of Worship.

Children may reconnect with families on the Colonnade after both services.

Children 3-4 yrs old will join caregivers in room 211 and may be picked up after both services.

PRAYER OF ILLUMINATION

FIRST LESSON OF SCRIPTURE

Proverbs 3:4-5

So you will find favor and good repute in the sight of God and of people. Trust in the LORD with all your heart, and do not rely on your own insight.

ANTHEM *Behold the Son of God*
Jeanette Corey, soprano

Mozart

SECOND LESSON OF SCRIPTURE

John 18:33-38

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." Pilate asked him, "What is truth?" After he had said this, he went out to the Jews again and told them, "I find no case against him."

Leader: This is the Word of the Lord.

People: **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

Reverend Bill Hedrick

THE RESPONSE

*** AFFIRMATION OF FAITH**

The Apostle's 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.

CELEBRATION OF OFFERING

ANTHEM (11:00 AM) *He's Got the Whole World in His Hands* Spiritual
Arranged by Robert DeComier

Larry Giddens, baritone

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE AND 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.

THE SENDING

HYMN 555

Now Thank We All Our God

NUN DANKET ALLE GOTT

Now thank we all our God With heart and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things has done, In whom his world rejoices;
Who from our mothers' arms Hath blessed us on our way
With countless gifts of love, And still is ours today.

O may this bounteous God Through all our life be near us,
With ever joyful hearts And blessed peace to cheer us;
And keep us in God's grace, And guide us when perplexed,
And free us from all ills In this world and the next.

All praise and thanks to God Who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son And Spirit now we are given.
The one eternal God, Whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was, and is, And shall be forevermore.

* BENEDICTION

* VOLUNTARY

CORONATION

Setting by David Schelat

The flowers today are given to the Glory of God and in honor of the wedding of Julia Updike and Will Merritt in Charlottesville this afternoon.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Inspired by the grace and truth of Christ, we nurture one another's faith to do God's work in the world.

The Session of First Presbyterian Church approved the above statement in and affirmed the following ten values to guide the leaders of our church as they prayerfully plan for our congregation's future.

Values that Reach UP

Worship
Preaching
Music
Prayer
Bible Teaching

Values that Reach OUT

Ministries that serve the community
Congregational Care
Financial Stewardship
Early Childhood Christian Education
Family

The Reverend Dee Dee Carson, *Pastor*
Jacqui Horton, *Director of Christian Education*
The Reverend Lyndsey McCall-Gilliam, *Director of Youth Ministries*
Randy DuVall, *Commissioned Pastor and Director of Missions*
David S. Kunkel, *Music Director*
Kimberly Markham Nickerson, *Assistant Music Director*
Belinda Valet, *Director of Children's Music and Handbells*
Dr. Antoinette Anglin, *Organist*

SESSION

Sallie Bryant, Leslie Cutchins, Kyle Davila, Becky Davison (Clerk), Hunter Frischkorn, Savannah Gentry (Youth Representative), Christine Harris, Paul Hirschbiel, Stuart Nesbit, Shannan Poteran, Don Schultz, Thomas Spencer, Mark Winters.

TRUSTEES

Sandy Cowden, Gael Daugherty, Diane Feineis, Ed Hurt, Hunter Sims.



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