

2. Open your hearts everyone. Open your hearts everyone.  
Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.

### OFFERING OUR PRAYERS TO THE LORD

L: ... In your mercy, P: Lord, hear our prayer...

L: Let us pray together the prayer our Lord taught us:

P: 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 sins as we forgive those who sin against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil: for thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, for ever. Amen.

OFFERTORY *Let Me Be Your Servant* Tiffiny Meinert

### \*DOXOLOGY (Read together)

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

### \*BENEDICTION

\*BENEDICTION RESPONSE (Read together) *Take the Peace*  
May the Lord be with you as you greet this day, and be in your heart as you go on your way. Take the Peace of God to every place you're in and may the Lord be with you until we meet again.

### \*POSTLUDE

*Please wait to be dismissed from the back of the church to ensure safety. Thank you!*

**\*All who are able may stand**

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# First United Church of Christ



Welcome to First United Church of Christ  
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We are pleased that you have decided  
to worship with us today

**Christ the King Sunday**  
**November 22, 2020**  
**10:00 a.m.**

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**Please be mindful of social distancing. There are green "x's" on the floor to help maintain a six feet distance.**

**Make sure to sit in pews with green tape on the back. Also, please wait to be dismissed from the back of the church at the conclusion of the service.**

*Hearing assistance is available. Ask an usher for a receiver.*

## PRELUDE

## WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND CELEBRATIONS

### OPENING PRAYER

#### \*CALL TO WORSHIP (from Psalm 95)

L: Come, let us sing for joy to the Lord;

P: Let us shout aloud to the Rock of our salvation.

L: For He is our God and we are the people of His pasture,

P: The flock under His care.

*\*HYMN #257 Vs 1 & 4 (Read together) Alleluia! Gracious Jesus!*

**1. Alleluia! Gracious Jesus! Yours the scepter, yours the throne! Alleluia! Yours the triumph, yours the victory alone! Hark! The songs of peaceful Zion thunder like a mighty flood; Jesus, out of every nation you've redeemed us by your blood.**

**4. Alleluia! Christ eternal, nothing can disrupt your reign; Alleluia! Born of Mary, heaven and earth are your domain. Human life you fully entered, tending those we count the least, serving both as Priest and Victim in the eucharistic feast.**

#### \*PASSING THE PEACE

Leader:

The peace of Christ be with you!

People:

And also with you!

#### \*GLORIA PATRI (Read together)

**Glorify 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. Amen.**

## CHILDREN'S LESSON

### NEW TESTAMENT LESSON

*Matthew 25: 31-46*

“When the Son of Man comes in his glory, and all the angels with him, he will sit on his glorious throne. All the nations will be gathered before him, and he will separate the people one from another as a shepherd separates the

sheep from the goats. He will put the sheep on his right and the goats on his left.

“Then the King will say to those on his right, ‘Come, you who are blessed by my Father; take your inheritance, the kingdom prepared for you since the creation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’

“Then the righteous will answer him, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you something to drink? When did we see you a stranger and invite you in, or needing clothes and clothe you? When did we see you sick or in prison and go to visit you?’

“The King will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.’ “Then he will say to those on his left, ‘Depart from me, you who are cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you gave me nothing to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me nothing to drink, I was a stranger and you did not invite me in, I needed clothes and you did not clothe me, I was sick and in prison and you did not look after me.’

“They also will answer, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or needing clothes or sick or in prison, and did not help you?’

“He will reply, ‘Truly I tell you, whatever you did not do for one of the least of these, you did not do for me.’ “Then they will go away to eternal punishment, but the righteous to eternal life.”

### MESSAGE

*“Looking Up and Out”*

*\*HYMN #73 Vs 1 & 3 (Read together) Enter, Rejoice, and Come In*

**1. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Enter, rejoice, and come in. Today will be a joyful day; enter, rejoice, and come in.**

**Youth Group** is suspended until after the new year.

**Thanksgiving Eve Service** will be on Wednesday, November 25, at 6:30p at Peace Church, 400 Maple St., Bennett. The service will be livestreamed on Facebook as well.

Please prayerfully consider praising the Lord by **singing a solo** during one of our Sunday worship services. Contact the office if you are willing to sing a hymn or praise song.

On Saturday, December 12, 5:00 - 7:00p, we will be providing take-out meals for the community along with sharing the Christmas message with several different scenes from the Nativity. **Lots of help is needed!** Please see Pastor Kerri for the many ways you can participate.

Plan to see the **Children's Christmas Program** on Sunday, December 13 during 10:00 a.m. worship. The service will be in-person and live-streamed.

If you are interested in helping with the **powerpoint** during worship, please let Pastor Kerri know.

If you would be willing to help record the services as part of a team, please let the office or Pastor Kerri know. We would love to have a group of people learn the system.

You are welcome to donate **poinsettias** to decorate the chancel during the Christmas season. If you are donating in memory of a loved one, please notify the church office by December 20, so this may be printed in the bulletin. You may take the poinsettias home following the 11:00 p.m. Christmas Eve service or by Jan 6 (Epiphany).

Chairpersons of committees, please submit your **Annual Reports** to the office by January 6.

If you are in need of prayer, please contact Pastor Kerri. Additionally, the active **prayer chain** is ready to pray with you and for you.

Help build a **"Wall of Thanks"** at Family Foods. Grab a brick, fill it out, and tape it to the front window at Family Foods.

**Recycle** your bulletin by placing it in the blue recycle can outside of the Sanctuary.

## THIS WEEK'S CHURCH CALENDAR

**Wednesday, November 25** 6:30 p.m. Thanksgiving Eve Service with Peace Church in Bennett

**Thursday, November 26** Offices Closed

**Saturday, November 28** 11:00 a.m. Shared Blessings Free Meal @ Methodist Church

**Sunday, November 29** 9:00 a.m. Sunday School  
10:00 a.m. Worship

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*"Cookies after Service" has been suspended indefinitely.  
Thank you for your understanding.*

**Offering plates are located near the entrance  
of the sanctuary.**

