

November 25, 2018 Christ the King Sunday

Thought for the Week

Christianity, if false, is of no importance and, if true, is of infinite importance.

The one thing it cannot be is moderately important.

—C.S. Lewis (1898-1963)

Gathering To Be Part of Christ's Resurrection

Praise and Thanksgiving "All Creatures of Our God and King (vs. 1-2)" #62

Welcome, Announcements, Registration, Sharing Joys and Concerns

(If you have a prayer request, please fill out one of the prayer cards in the pew rack and give it to the pastor or an usher.)

Centering Music and Lighting the Candles

***Call to Worship**

Come, let us bow down and worship the King of Kings, the Lord of Lords.

At this birth the angels proclaimed it. He is the Wonderful Counselor, Lord of Lords, King of Kings, the Prince of Peace.

Through his teaching and his life we learn how to live before God.

By his death and resurrection we have been saved, adopted as children of God, and claimed as witnesses to God's eternal love.

***Opening Prayer**

We rejoice in the presence of the King of Kings, Jesus Christ. At his birth the angels proclaimed his name to be Emmanuel, God with us. In this place, during this time of worship, may we truly feel the power and presence of Jesus Christ in our lives. Warm our hearts, O Lord, and challenge us to proclaim with our lives, "Jesus Christ is Lord!" Amen.

***Singing** "Rejoice, the Lord is King" #715

Confessing Who We Are

Lord God, we have difficulty with being subject to someone else. Yet, we are called to recognize Jesus Christ as the King of our lives, our sovereign ruler. His kingdom is rooted in love; loving God as God has truly loved us and loving our neighbor as we ourselves want to be loved. Forgive us for the meagerness of our faith and the weakness of our witness. Rule over us, enabling us to understand and fulfill your will for this world. Equip us for all good work. Amen. (silent prayer)

Assurance of Forgiveness

In Christ Jesus there is complete forgiveness. God's everlasting love will never leave you. Be his witnesses in all that you do.

Anthem "Harvest Song" A.C. Lovelace

Preparing to Pray "Lord, Listen to Your Children Praying" #2193

Lord, listen to your children praying, Lord, send your Spirit in this place;

Lord, listen to your children praying, send us love, send us power, send us grace.

Prayers of the People and The Lord's Prayer

Opening Ourselves to Listen, Witness and Serve

Old Testament Lesson Psalm 132:1-12

New Testament Lesson Revelation 1:4b-8

Gospel Lesson John 18:33-37

Message "Hail King Jesus"

***Singing** "We Will Glorify the King of Kings" #2087

Offering our Tithes and Offerings

***Offertory Response** "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" #95

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.

Prayer of Dedication

Gracious God, bless these gifts, use them to your glory, and increase our own faith in your ability to provide for our daily needs. Amen.

*Singing "We've a Story to Tell to the Nations" #569

Sending Forth

*Singing "God Be With You" #672

God be with you till we meet again; by his counsels guide, uphold you,
with his sheep securely fold you; God be with you till we meet again.

Postlude

*Please stand as you are able

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WELCOME TO

HARWICH UNITED METHODIST CHURCH



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