The Jirst Presbyterian Church in the City of New York

CHRIST THE KING

Service for the Lord's Day
November 21st, 2021 | 11:00 a.m.

The Session and members of First Church extend a sincere welcome to all persons regardless of race, nationality, gender, or sexual orientation. This includes an open invitation to membership, the sacraments of baptism and the Lord's Supper, marriage, funerals, memorial services, and service as an officer of the church.

GATHERING

The peace candle represents our prayers for peace in a broken world. The congregation is asked to offer prayers of intercession for one another and for those who lead in these times of remote worship.

PRELUDE

from Capriol Suite
Basse-Danse
Pavane
Tordion
Pieds-en-l'air

Peter Warlock arr. Andrew Teague

PEALING OF THE CARILLON

WELCOME

CALL TO WORSHIP

Please stand in body or in spirit.

Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth.

Worship the lord with gladness.

Enter his gates with thanksgiving and his courts with praise.

For the Lord is good;

his steadfast love endures forever,

Bless his name whose faithfulness flows to every generation.

Let us worship Christ the King!

Hymn 268

"Crown Him with Many Crowns"

DIADEMATA

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Righteous God,

you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.

We confess we are slow to acknowledge his dominion over our lives.

Instead we give allegiance to the powers of this world,

and fail to be governed by justice and love.

In your mercy, forgive us.

Raise us to acclaim Christ as King, ruling with grace, peace, and equity for all of creation. Make us a loyal ambassador, obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ, for ourselves and the restoration of our world. Amen.

Assurance of Pardon



SHARING SIGNS OF PEACE

The peace of Christ be with you.

And also with you.

CHILDREN'S PRAYER 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,

the power, and the glory, forever. Amen.

HEARING THE WORD

FIRRST LESSON John 18:33-37

pew Bible, New Testament page 113/large print, New Testament page 138

ANTHEM Ned Rorem

Sing, my soul, his wondrous love, who, from yon bright throne above, ever watchful o'er our race, still to us extends his grace. Heaven and earth by him were made; all is by his scepter swayed; what are we that he should show so much love to us below? God, the merciful and good, bought us with the Savior's blood, and, to make salvation sure, guides us by his Spirit pure. Sing, my soul, adore his Name! Let his glory be thy theme: praise him till he calls thee home; trust his love for all to come.

—Anonymous, ca. 1800

SECOND LESSON Revelation 1:4b-8

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

Affirmation of Faith

Jesus our Lord took the form of a servant; and perfected royal power in weakness. With no sword but the sword of righteousness, and no power but the power of love, Christ defeated sin, evil, and death by reigning from the cross.

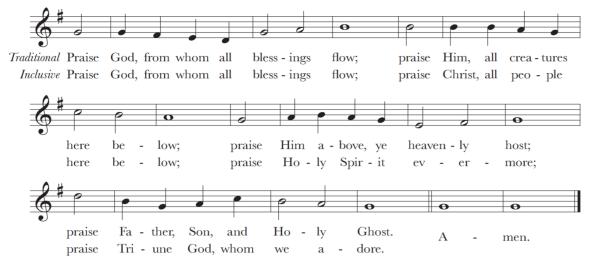
- Adapted from the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.) Study Catechism, Question 41

Offertory

Ralph Vaughan Williams My soul, praise the Lord, speak good of his Name. O Lord our great God, how dost thou appear! So passing in glory, that great is thy fame; honor and majesty in thee shine most clear. With light as a robe thou hast thyself clad. Whereby the earth all thy greatness may see: the heavens in such sort thou also hast spread, that they compared to a curtain may be. The praise of the Lord forever shall last. Who may in his works by right well rejoice? His look can the earth make to tremble full fast. Likewise the mountains to smoke at his voice. To this Lord and God will I sing always; so long as I live my God praise will I. Then am I most certain my words shall him please, I will rejoice in him, to him I will cry. (Praise ye the Lord's Name). -William Kethe

Doxology OLD HUNDREDTH

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Prayers of the People and Reception of New Members

Alexander Sanjeer Bal, David Graves Delahunt, Ashley Gosnell Mody, Caterina Anna Musatti, Jan Whitman Ogden, and Caroline Madden Rodrigues.

SENDING

Hymn 274

"You, Lord, Are Both Lamb and Shepherd"

PICARDY

BENEDICTION

Postlude

"Crown Imperial"

William Walton arr. Herbert Murrill

The congregation is invited to continue worshiping through the postlude, which is offered as a thanksgiving to God.

LEADING THIS MORNING

Hannah Faye Allred, M.Div., Staff Associate for Mission and Social Justice
Rev. Dr. Barbara Davis, Executive Minister
Emma Gritsch, Seminary Intern
Rev. Dr. Mark Hostetter, Associate Pastor Associate Pastor for Stewardship and Mission to the Corporate World

The First Church Choir Michael Shake, Organist and Director of Music

Welcome to First Church!

We are so glad you are here.

Scan to give your tithe or offering.



Join us for Coffee Fellowship on the North Lawn after the Postlude to meet one another, say hello to the new members received today, and enjoy refreshments.

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