

Christ the King (Reign of Christ) Sunday

Celebration of Worship

November 22, 2020

9:30 A.M.

Thought for Reflection

“When I say it’s you I like, I’m talking about that part of you that knows that life is far more than anything you can ever see or hear or touch. That deep part of you that allows you to stand for those things without which humankind cannot survive. Love that conquers hate, peace that rises triumphant over war, and justice that proves more powerful than greed.”

Fred Rogers

Prelude

Welcome and Announcements

Meditation

Isaiah 11:5-6

“Righteousness will be his belt and faithfulness the sash around his waist. The wolf will live with the lamb, the leopard will lie down with the goat, the calf and the lion and the yearling together; and a little child will lead them.”

Ring of the Bell

Invocation

Leader: Gracious God, we long to know you better. Open us to recognize your presence, to receive you fully, and to be ready to follow your leading. Amen.

Call to Worship

Leader: Know that the Holy One is God.

People: We are God’s people.

Leader: Worship the Holy One with gladness;

People: Come into God’s presence with singing;

Leader: Enter God’s gates with thanksgiving, and God’s courts with praise.

People: Make a joyful noise!

Leader: For God is good; God’s steadfast love endures forever, and God’s faithfulness to all generations.

People: Let us worship with thanks and joy! Let us praise God in song and word and prayer.

Opening Hymn

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Prayer of Confession

People: Loving God, too often we overlook the needs of people around us while we proclaim our devotion to you. We could do so much more to feed the hungry, clothe the naked, welcome the stranger, and heal the sick. We fail to see how our prison system diminishes the humanity of all of us, how our medical system denies healing to the poor, how poverty leaves children without coats, how legal obstacles keep the strangers at a distance. Open our eyes to see your presence in every person, and help us respond to their needs so that we may be rightly called by your name. Amen.

Assurance of Grace

Leader: Though we wander, God searches us out. Speaking through Ezekiel, God said, “As shepherds seek out their flocks when they are among their scattered sheep, so I will seek out my sheep. I will rescue them from all the places to which they have been scattered on a day of clouds and thick gloom.” God reaches out to us, longing to bring us ever closer. Hear this good news: You are forgiven and free!

Gloria Patri

Children’s Time

Scripture Readings

Psalms 100

Matthew 25:31-46

Music Offering

Let All Things Now Living

arr. Hart Morris

Alleluia Bells

Scripture Reading

Ephesians 1:15-23

Sermon

Year End Report

Rev. Phil Davis, Sr.

Prayers of the People and The Lord’s Prayer (Debts/Debtors)

Offering Mail in your gifts or click the WPC website ‘Give’ button

Closing Hymn *Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining* # 425

Benediction

Postlude

Shine, Jesus, Shine

arr. Peggy Bettcher

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of Your love is shining
In the midst of the darkness shining.
Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us;
Set us free by the truth You now bring us;
Shine on me; shine on me.

Refrain:

Shine, Jesus, shine, fill this land with the Father's glory;
Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river flow, flood the nations with grace and mercy;
Send forth Your Word, Lord, and let there be light.

Lord, I come to Your awesome presence
From the shadows into Your radiance.
By the blood I may enter Your brightness;
Search me, try me, consume all my darkness;
Shine on me; shine on me. Refrain:

As we gaze on Your kingly brightness,
So our faces display Your likeness.
Ever changing from glory to glory,
Mirror'd here may our lives tell Your story;
Shine on me; shine on me. Refrain:

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, Amen.

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MEMORY VERSE

*"Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all people,
especially to those who belong to the family of believers."*

LECTIONARY PASSAGES

	<u>Today, November 22nd</u>	<u>Next Sunday, November 29th</u>
Old Testament	<i>Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24</i>	<i>Isaiah 64:1-9</i>
Psalm	<i>Psalms 100</i>	<i>Psalms 80:1-7, 17-19</i>
New Testament	<i>Ephesians 1:15-23</i>	<i>I Corinthians 1:3-9</i>
Gospel	<i>Matthew 25:31-46</i>	<i>Mark 13:24-37</i>

Lord of Light, Your Name Outshining

Lord, of light, Your name outshining all the stars and suns of space,
Use our talents in Your kingdom as the servants of Your grace;
Use us to fulfill Your purpose in the gift of Christ Your Son:
Abba, as in highest heaven, so on earth Your will be done.

By the toil of faithful workers in some far outlying field,
By the courage where the radiance of the cross is still revealed,
By the victories of meekness, through reproach and suffering won:
Abba, as in highest heaven, so on earth Your will be done.

Grant that knowledge, still increasing, at Your feet may lowly kneel;
With Your grace our triumphs hallow, with Your charity our zeal;
Lift the nations from the shadows to the gladness of the sun:
Abba, as in highest heaven, so on earth Your will be done.

By the prayers of faithful watchers, never silent day or night;
By the cross of Jesus, bringing peace to all and healing light;
By the love that passes knowledge, making all Your children one:
Abba, as in highest heaven, so on earth Your will be done.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

Sunday, November 22

9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
10:15 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel
4:00 P.M. Youth Painting in the Social Room

Monday, November 23

7:00 P.M. Spiritual Nurture Committee on Zoom
Boy Scout Troop 262 in the Social & Basement Rooms

Tuesday, November 24

10:00 A.M. Women's Bible Study on Zoom
5:00 P.M. TOPS in Room 9/10

Wednesday, November 25

6:30 A.M. Men's Breakfast/Bible Study at Golden Boys Restaurant
7:00 P.M. Scout Troop 425 in the Social Room

Thursday, November 26 - Happy Thanksgiving !!

Saturday, November 28

9:00 A.M. Prayer Time on Zoom

Sunday, November 29

9:30 A.M. Worship Service in the Sanctuary and on Zoom
10:15 A.M. Church of God by Faith in the Chapel

ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. WELCOME to Webster Presbyterian Church! We are pleased that you are worshipping with us today.
2. IN-PERSON WORSHIP IN THE SANCTUARY has resumed on Sundays at 9:30 a.m. It is requested that you make a reservation to attend by calling the church office and speaking to Georgia, or by emailing the church office by noon on Saturday.
3. SUNDAY SERVICES will continue to be live-streamed.
You can watch them live at 9:30 using:
Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/200521841> The password is **worship**.
or Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>
Or you can watch them later at your leisure using:
Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/Websterpres/>
or YouTube <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzM5-thYxua2HQSPF6P71wA>
4. ADULT EDUCATION TODAY - The Stewardship & Finance Committee will present the results of the 2021 pledge drive and the challenges we face ahead with our 2021 Budget. This is a time for learning, questions and comments. Join us for this informative session at 10:30 today in person in the Sanctuary or on Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/200521841>
The password is worship.
5. THE ADVENT SERIES *GRACE* begins next Sunday at 10:30 in the Sanctuary and on Zoom. Max Lucado's book, *Grace: More Than We Deserve, Greater Than We Imagine*, is available for \$8 in the church office or by contacting Connie Rice. Join us for an in-depth discussion of what Grace means to each of us in our walk with God, and what Grace means to disciples of Jesus.

Zoom <https://zoom.us/j/200521841> The password is worship.
6. UPDATE ON STATED SUPPLY PASTOR SEARCH - A recommended Stated Supply Pastor candidate was presented and approved by Session on Monday, November 16th. The Personnel Committee will now be in discussion with the candidate to finalize Terms of Call. Then the candidate needs to be approved by the Committee of Ministry on December 8th.
7. GIFT CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS FOR GRACE HOUSE: Grace House has requested that, due to COVID, we only donate unwrapped \$10 gift cards this year for the men and their children. Cards for fast food places such as McDonalds, Burger King, Wendy's and stores such as Wal-Mart, Target, TJ Maxx and Marshalls are appropriate. Please bring your donations to the church office on a Sunday or Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., or mail them to the office. Or you can call or text Brad Adams (698-3229) to have them picked up. Gift cards will be collected through Sunday, December 13th.
8. THE ANGEL TREE, sponsored by the Deacons to benefit the Williamson Come-Unity Center is again happening, though with a different format. Our contributions over the last several years have been greatly appreciated. In the interest of keeping this as contact-free and safe as possible, we are going virtual this year! Instead of a Christmas tree in the Narthex with gift tags, there is a wish list set up on Amazon. You can scroll through and choose an item to order. When you proceed to check out, be sure to choose "Laura Oliver's Gift Registry Address" in the shipping options to have it sent directly to Laura Oliver's home.
https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/A24YBQ17OOQX?ref=wl_share
OR you can log in to Amazon and search for the "Williamson Come-Unity Center Angel Tree" list on Amazon.
If you choose to have the gift shipped to your home, or if you purchase a gift elsewhere, please bring your unwrapped gift to church on Sunday, December 6th. We will be there during service to collect gifts, and again later that day from 4-6 pm. If these times don't work for you, or if you prefer us to pick up from you, please contact Amy Vallone at 766-0417 or aevallone@yahoo.com.
9. WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY: Women's Bible Study discuss the topic "Let's Celebrate Thanksgiving." The Zoom link is:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85736775467?pwd=cTVkcUcvTGRQTXRQdEdlY0NuVzhmdz09> Password: bible
10. UPPER ROOMS for November/December are available for pick-up from the bench outside the north entrance to the church.
11. OUR TRUSTEES NEED YOUR HELP: Even though there is still a need for physical distancing, the Trustees are asking for your help with the outside fall upkeep of our church. Chores can be completed choosing your own date and time. Check the November *Pathway* for a list of chores to be completed. If you are willing and able to help please contact: Bob Kizer (585)967-5389 or Tina McNeary (585)413-7809

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