

Christ Reigns Supreme

The festival of Christ the King (or Reign of Christ) ends our marking of Ordinary Time after the Day of Pentecost, and moves us to the threshold of Advent, the season of hope for Christ's coming again at the end of time.

The day centers on the crucified and risen Christ, whom God exalted to rule over the whole universe. The celebration of the lordship of Christ thus looks back to Ascension, Easter, and Transfiguration, and points ahead to the appearing in glory of the King of kings and Lord of lords. Christ reigns supreme. Christ's truth judges falsehood. As the Alpha and Omega, the beginning and the end, Christ is the center of the universe, the ruler of all history, the judge of all people. In Christ all things began, and in Christ all things will be fulfilled. In the end, Christ will triumph over the forces of evil.

Such concepts as these cluster around the affirmation that Christ is King or Christ reigns! As sovereign ruler, Christ calls us to a loyalty that transcends every earthly claim on the human heart. To Christ alone belongs the supreme allegiance in our lives. Christ calls us to stand with those who in every age confessed, "Jesus Christ is Lord!" In every generation, demagogues emerge to claim an allegiance that belongs only to God. But Christ alone has the right to claim our highest loyalty. The blood of martyrs, past and present, witnesses to this truth.

Behold the glory of the eternal Christ! From the beginning of time to its ending, Christ rules above all earthly powers!

An excerpt from the [*Companion to the Book of Common Worship*](#) (Geneva Press, 2003, 151)

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Church Office Schedule

The church office will be open Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday from 9:00 am to 2:00 pm this week. The office will be closed on both Thursday and Friday for Thanksgiving.

Hanging of the Greens

We need to get the sanctuary and the church ready for the Advent and Christmas seasons. We will be doing this on the Sunday after Thanksgiving, November 27 beginning at 3:00 pm. Mark your calendars now and plan on coming back to help hang the greens. The more people we have to help, the quicker it will go.

Cross Country Banquet

The meal for the Cross Country Team has been set for Monday, November 28 from 5:00 to 8:00 pm. If you would still like to help with this meal, please contact the church office.

Great Cookie Caper

The Great Cookie Caper is happening Sunday, December 4! Members of the congregation are asked to bake lots of cookies to be taken out into the community to show our appreciation of all the civil servants, educators, healthcare providers, etc. You are asked to please package the cookies, 2 or 3 to a bag to lessen the risk of spreading germs and please label them if they contain peanuts or tree nuts. Patty Robbins will also need volunteers on the 4th to help get the cookies ready for transport and to start delivering them that evening. She will also need volunteers to help deliver the remaining cookies on Monday, December 5. If you would like to help with this ministry, please contact Patty Robbins or the church office.

NOW Team Meeting

The NOW Team will have it's final meeting of 2016 on December 5 at 6:30 pm in the fellowship hall. We invite you to come be with us as we discuss what we have left to accomplish before the year is through and what goals we will have to look forward to for 2017.

Please Donate to Staff Christmas Fund

Each year we take a special Christmas offering for our staff. The amount gathered will be divided among the following persons: Ashley Turner, Joyce Palmer, Rick Galyean, Robert Holbrook, Jan Tate, David Barker, and Steve Guerrant, PLEASE NOTE: You will not be able to receive a tax deduction for this gift. Please make your checks out to CASH or enclose cash in an envelope clearly marked Staff Christmas Gift. We will collect these gifts through Sunday December 18th. On behalf of the staff, let me say thank you for your generosity to this cause.

The Trinity Companion Sunday November 20, 2016



LUKE 23:43 NRSV

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Worship begins at 11:00 am

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Let me tell you how glad we are to have you at our worship service today. We hope that you will encounter the presence of the risen Christ. We'd really like to get some contact information. Would you please text your email and name to 80123 and we'll get back in touch with you.

Greeters: Kathleen Gillespie and Jackie Mainous

Please welcome Rev. Roy Hull

Announcements, Welcome, and Introduction : Diane Botts

***Prelude:**

***Call to Worship:** "Majesty, Worship His Majesty"

***Opening Hymn:** "We Gather Together" No. 131

Sharing Our Joys and Concerns

(You will be given an opportunity to share joys and prayer concerns. Please raise your hand and wait until an usher comes to you with a microphone.)

The Lord's Prayer *(as found at No. 895)*

Gloria Patri No. 70

Children's Message Nancy Toney

The Presentation of God's Tithe and Our Offerings

Ushers: Christy Smith, Jackie Mainous, Kathleen Gillespie, Nancy Allman

Offertory:

*** The Doxology** No. 95

***Anthem:** "Medley of Thanksgiving"

The Presentation of God's Word

Scripture: Jeremiah 23: 1-6 and Luke 23: 33-43 Andrew Holyfield

Lector: The Word of the Lord for the People of the Lord

People: Thanks be to God

Sermon: "Christ the King"

*** Closing Hymn:** "For the Beauty of the Earth" No. 92

*** Pastoral Benediction :** "God Be With You Till We Meet Again"

***Postlude:**

****Please stand, as you are able***

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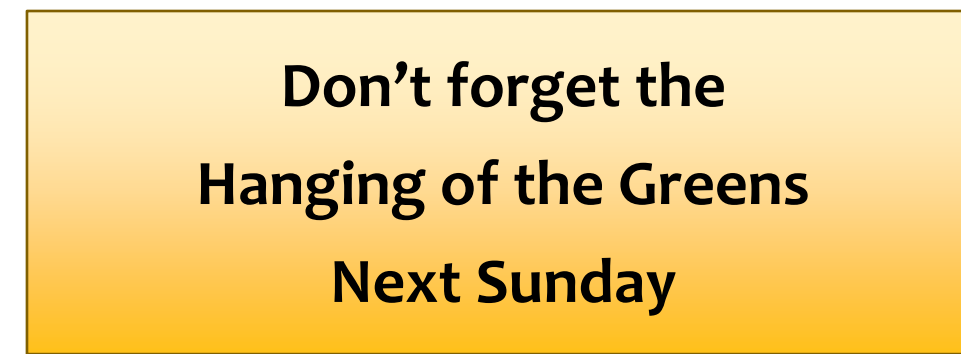
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November Events and Activities

- ◆ **Sunday, November 20**
 - ◆ NO UMYF Meeting
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—Asbury Circle
- ◆ **Monday, November 21**
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Garden Club
- ◆ **Wednesday, November 23**
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
 - ◆ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice
- ◆ **Thursday, November 24—Thanksgiving Day**
 - ◆ Office will be Closed
- ◆ **Friday, November 25**
 - ◆ Office will be Closed
- ◆ **Sunday, November 27—First Sunday of Advent**
 - ◆ NO UMYF Meeting
 - ◆ 3:00 pm—Hanging of the Greens
- ◆ **Monday, November 28**
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—Cross Country Banquet
- ◆ **Wednesday, November 30**
 - ◆ 6:00 pm—Prayer Team
 - ◆ 7:00 pm—Choir Practice

December Events and Activities

- ◆ **Thursday, December 1**
 - ◆ 10:00 am—Susanna Wesley Circle
 - ◆ 12:00 pm—Wesleyan Circle
- ◆ **Sunday, December 4**
 - ◆ 12:00 pm—The Great Cookie Caper
 - ◆ 5:00 pm—UMYF
- ◆ **Monday, December 5**
 - ◆ 6:30 pm—NOW Team Meeting



November

Van Drivers and Riders

6—Pat Bowden, Diane Botts
13—Christy Smith, Ashley Turner
20—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
27—TBD

Children's Church

6—Patty Robbins
13—Mary Beth Allen
20—Donna Mahan
27—Cathy Galyean

Money Counters

6—Pat Bowden, Kim Parsons
13—Kenny & Martha Spurlock
20—Bill Cole, Ashley Turner
27—Chris Higgins, Paul Clark

Children's Message

6—Diane Botts
13—Kim Parsons
20—Nancy Toney
27—Mary Beth Allen

Greeters

Kathleen Gillespie
Jackie Mainous

Announcements

Diane Botts

Ushers

Christy Smith, Jackie Mainous,
Kathleen Gillespie, Nancy Allman



"I HAVE NOT STOPPED GIVING THANKS FOR YOU, REMEMBERING YOU IN MY PRAYERS."
EPHESIANS 1:16, NIV

For Those with Cancer:

Robin (Rita Nash's Daughter); Debbie Cooper; Phyllis Gilley; Melody (Mellie) Gilley; Doris Berta; Denise Qualls; Kathy Hirsch (Larry & Teddy Bland's daughter); David Burke (Bubba Burke's Dad); Karrie Compton (Randy & Phyllis Compton's daughter); Zack Carter; Carey Mills; Steve Clark; Robert Holbrook; Kamy (Patsy Mutter's great granddaughter's sister)

Facing/Recovering from Surgery/Hospital Stay

Becky Clark; Helen Cochran; Mary Warner; T. R Davidson; Melanie Sturgill; Mark Nickels; Ann Nickels; Jim Cooper; Barbara Hargrove; Ronnie Phillips (Patty Robbins' brother); Benny Clifton (Lillie Clifton's father); Siyere Williams; Elizabeth White; Nancy Toney; Terry Goodman; Jean Hendrick; Haylee White; Karen West; Ruben Allman

Non-Specific Prayers for:

The Polly family; Geneva Allen; Jim Gates; Jennie Shupe; Hope Meade; Matt Carroll; Melvin Carter; Bill & Jean Hendrick; Peggy Bates; Marion Kocher; Bob Horne; Nancy Toney; Beth & John Hagan; Nancy Kilgore & family; Debbie Goodman; Sarah Shores; Elmer Lowe; June Pendergrass; John Wheeley; Louise Wright; Joyce Ann Harver; Irene Black

- Pray for our Pastor and the Leaders of our church.

- Pray for the Leaders of the United Methodist Church.

- Pray for those in the Church in need.

If you know that someone on the prayer list has passed away, please contact the church office.