NOVEMBER 22, 2026 | CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY

INTROIT & OPENING WORDS: Ezekiel 34: 11-24

OPENING HYMN "We Gather Together" UMH 131
WELCOME Pastor Scott Clawson

CALL TO WORSHIP
Family of God, on this Reign of Christ Sunday, we celebrate and remember Christ, who reigns over all creation with love and grace, forming us as a family bound together by God.
We come to worship Christ, who cares for the least of these and calls us to do the same.
We gather to recount all the ways we encounter Christ in our midst—in our neighbor who checks in when we're sick, in our unhoused friends who gather for a meal, in our friends who have been wounded in body and spirit.
We come to worship Christ, who cares for the least of these and reminds us to do the same.
We join our voices with Christians throughout the world and throughout time to give thanks and to seek guidance as we grow in love of God, neighbor, self, and creation.
We come to worship Christ, who cares for the least of these and inspires us to do the same.
Come, you blessed by God, with open hearts, open arms, and open doors to welcome and embrace all of our neighbors, because when we love our neighbors, we love Christ among us.
We come to worship Christ, who cares for the least of these and empowers us to do the same. Thanks be to God! Amen.

***HYMN** "Come, Ye Thankful People, Come" UMH 694

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING, OF THE PEOPLE & THE LORD'S PRAYER
PRAYER OF CONFESSION & ASSURANCE OF PARDON

ANTHEM
GOSPEL READING: Matthew 24: 31-46
The Word of God for the People of God. **Thanks be to God**

SERMON "I Myself" Pastor Scott Clawson

***HYMN** "Crown Him with Many Crowns" UMH 327

BENEDICTION & PRAYER OF DEDICATION
RESPONSE "Praise God, from Whom All Blessings Flow" UMH 95

9:30 AM WORSHIP LEADERS
Acolyte: Wyatt Turner
Lay Reader: Amanda Berry
Ushers: Melinda McCollum

11:00 AM WORSHIP LEADERS
Acolyte: Ben Hanson
Lay Reader: Angie Cole
Ushers: Angie Cole

NMUMC by the Numbers: November 15, 2026

8:15 AM: 19 9:30 AM: 57 11:00 AM: 59 Online: 32
Children's Sunday School: 35 Adult Sunday School: 5 Nursey: 2

Total Offering: $5,096.00 *Regular Offering:* $2,515.00*
Fellowship, 11/15 Dinner: $1,691.00 Hope4Kids: $20.00
NMCenter, Matching Grant: $60.00 NMCenter: $620.00
Outreach, shoebox postage: $190.00
**Amount Needed to Meet Weekly Budget: $5,862.53*

Church Meetings

Tuesday, November 24: Morning Bible Study – 10:00 AM – Sanctuary
Tues. Nov. 24: Community Thanksgiving Service – 7:00 PM – Montgomery UMC
Thurs. November 26: Thanksgiving Day- Church Office Closed and No Activities
Saturday, Nov. 28: Christian Believers Session – 10:00 AM – ED Building Kitchen
Sunday, Nov. 29: Youth Bell Choir Rehearsal – 9:30 AM – ED Building Kitchen

Christmas in New Market Parade

We are inviting anyone who is interested in walking in the parade with the Sunday School to join us on December 5th at 11:45 AM in the church parking lot. We will ride on the preschool floats to New Market Elementary to join the parade lineup. The wagons must leave by 12:15 PM, so it is important to be on time. The parade starts at 1 PM. For more information, contact Pastor Scott.

Finding Hope Together: Cancer Support Group

Whether you are a cancer survivor, newly diagnosed, or currently walking through treatment, we invite you to join us for the first gathering of our church's Cancer Support Group. Our hope is to create a welcoming, faith-filled community where we can encourage one another, share our journeys, and find strength in Christ. During this first meeting, we would love to hear what would be most helpful to you as we begin building this ministry together.

December 4th at 7:00 PM in the Schoolhouse

"Do not be anxious about anything, but in every situation, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, present your requests to God." — Philippians 4:6 (NIV)

Daily Devotions Starting 11/23/26

Monday (11/23)- Isaiah 64: 1-9
What does verse 6 tell us about "works-based" (working our way to heaven) salvation?

Tuesday (11/24)- Psalm 80: 1-7, 17-19
How can the Lord restore you on this day? What part do we play in this restoration if any?

Wednesday (11/25)- Deuteronomy 8: 7-18
How can we remind ourselves to thank the Lord for even the little things?

Thursday (11/26)- Luke 17: 11-19
Where have you been remiss in your thankfulness to God? Give thanks and praise for all the blessings in your life today.

Friday (11/27)- 1 Corinthians 1: 3-9
Who are the "saints" in your life that you are thankful for today? If they have gone on to glory, send a prayer of thankfulness; if they are still living, give them a call today.

Saturday (11/28)- Mark 13: 24-37
What disciplines should we use to "stay awake" in anticipation of Christ's return?

Sunday (11/29) - First Sunday in Advent: Worship in person or online.

Winter Coat Drive Collection: November 30- March 1st
Please help families in need by donating new, clean, and/or gently used winter coats, scarves, hats, gloves and boots. Contact Susan Stevens for more info: 240-277-2582.

GIVE ONLINE

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