



FOR THE LORD IS A
**GREAT
GOD,**

AND A GREAT KING

ABOVE ALL GODS.

PSALM 95:3

CHRIST THE KING

November 22, 2020

9:30 am Worship Service

ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH, HANOVER, PA

Rev. E. Robert Burkhart, Senior Pastor

Rev. Jack R. Hoffman, Pastor Emeritus

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Announcements

† Confession and Forgiveness

Pastor: Gracious God,

Cong.: have mercy on us. In your compassion forgive us our sins, known and unknown, things done and left undone. Uphold us by your gracious Spirit so that we may live and serve you in newness of life, to the honor and glory of your holy name; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Pastor: Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins through Jesus Christ our Lord, strengthen you in all goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in eternal life.

Cong.: Amen.

Psalm: Psalm 95:1-7a (*read responsively*)

¹Come, let us sing | to the LORD;

let us shout for joy to the rock of | our salvation.

²**Let us come before God's presence | with thanksgiving
and raise a loud shout to the | LORD with psalms.**

³For you, LORD, | are a great God,
and a great ruler a- | bove all gods.

⁴**In your hand are the caverns | of the earth;
the heights of the hills are | also yours. R**

⁵The sea is yours, | for you made it,
and your hands have molded | the dry land.

⁶**Come, let us worship | and bow down,
let us kneel before the | LORD our maker.**

⁷For the LORD | is our God,
and we are the people of God's pasture
and the sheep | of God's hand. R

* Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

* Song

"Rejoice, for Christ Is King!"

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* Prayer of the Day

L: Let us pray.

Response to the prayer: **C: Amen.**

First Reading:

L: A reading from Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24
The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

Second Reading:

L: A reading from Ephesians 1:15-23
The Word of the Lord.

C: Thanks be to God.

* **Gospel:**

P: The Holy Gospel according to Matthew 25:31-46

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

The Gospel concludes:

P: The Gospel of the Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.

Rotation Faith Formation

The pastor will dismiss the PreK through 6th grade children for Children's Sunday School. Please have children wear their masks. Children will return at the end of the service.

Sermon

Pastor Burkhart

* **Song**

"Jesus Shall Reign"

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* **Apostles' Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ, God's only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.*

On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand of the Father,
and he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.

* **Prayers of the People**

Each petition ends with these words:

L: Lord, in your mercy,

C: hear our prayer.

Response at the conclusion of the prayers: C: Amen.

Offertory

"Here I Am to Worship"
Senior Choir

arr. Larson

(Use this time to reflect on your financial and spiritual offerings to God.)

* **Offertory Prayer**

L: Let us pray.

Merciful Father,

C: we offer with joy and thanksgiving what you have first given us—our selves, our time, and our possessions, signs of your gracious love. Receive them for the sake of him who offered himself for us, Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

*** Communion Prayer**

P: In the night in which he was betrayed ...

*** The 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 trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.

*** Invitation to Communion**

All baptized believers are welcome to commune. Gluten free wafers and grape juice are also available.

Continuous Communion Distribution

Usher will release one row at a time. Please maintain 6ft. distance in the aisle. Wear your mask prior to and following communion. Upon approaching the altar, sanitize your hands. Take a wine cup, refrain from touching other cups. Receive the bread from the Pastor, holding out your open hand, palm up, fingers straight out. The Assistant Minister will pour wine into your cup. Place disposable communion cup in the waste container.

*** Blessing**

Response after the blessing: C: Amen.

*** Prayer after Communion**

L: Let us pray. Pour out upon us the spirit of your love, O Lord, and unite the wills of those whom you have fed with one heavenly food; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

C: Amen.

*** Benediction**

Response: C: Amen.

*** Dismissal**

L: Go in peace. Serve the Lord.

Response: C: Thanks be to God.

An usher will dismiss one row at a time, first one side of the sanctuary and then the other side; be patient and follow usher guidance. Wear mask until you leave church property. Do not congregate in the building.

*** Postlude**

* Stand if you are able

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Rejoice, for Christ Is King!

1 Re - joice, for Christ is king! Your Lord and king a - dore;
2 Our Sav - ior Je - sus reigns, the God of truth and love;
3 His king - dom can - not fail; he rules o'er earth and heav'n;
4 He sits at God's right hand till all his foes sub - mit


re - joice, give thanks, and sing, and tri - umph ev - er - more:
when he had purged our stains, he took his seat a - bove:
the keys of death and hell are to our Je - sus giv'n:
and bow to his com - mand and fall be - neath his feet:

Refrain

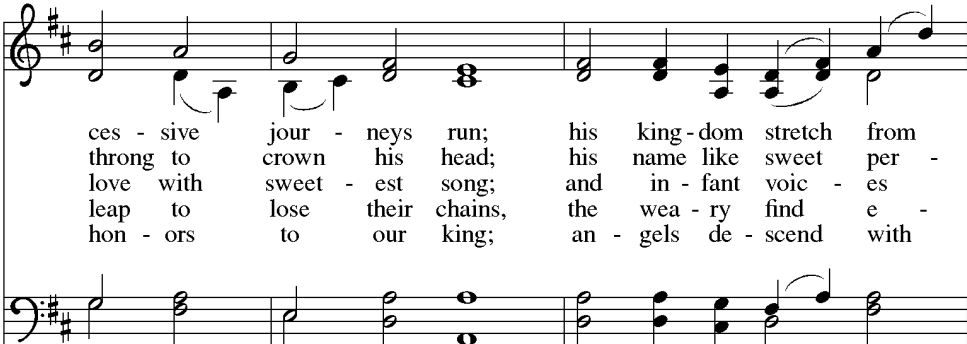
Lift up your heart, lift up your voice; re -

joice, a - gain I say, re - joice!


Jesus Shall Reign



1 Je - sus shall reign wher - e'er the sun does its suc -
2 To him shall end - less prayer be made, and prais - es
3 Peo - ple and realms of ev - 'ry tongue dwell on his
4 Bless - ings a - bound wher - e'er he reigns: the pris - 'ners
5 Let ev - 'ry crea - ture rise and bring pe - cu - liar



ces - sive jour - neys run; his king - dom stretch from
throng to crown his head; his name like sweet per -
love with sweet - est song; and in - fant voic - es
leap to lose their chains, the wea - ry find e -
hon - ors to our king; an - gels de - scend with



shore to shore, till moons shall wax and wane no more.
fume shall rise with ev - 'ry morn - ing sac - ri - fice.
shall pro - claim their ear - ly bless - ings on his name.
ter - nal rest, and all who suf - fer want are blest.
songs a - gain, and earth re - peat the loud a - men.

Text: Isaac Watts, 1674–1748, alt.
Music: DUKE STREET, attr. John Hatton, d. 1793
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WELCOME TO ST. PAUL'S LUTHERAN CHURCH! If you are seeking a faith community, exploring faith, desire to be a part of our ministries, or have questions; please feel free to speak with the pastor.

THE RADIO BROADCAST is sponsored to the Glory of God by St. Paul's.

BOTH VASES OF ALTAR FLOWERS are sponsored by Glenn and Jean Alwine to the Glory of God and in honor of their 53rd wedding anniversary.

THE COMMUNION BREAD AND WINE are sponsored to the Glory of God in memory of Grace Harris by Joann Klinedinst and family.

THE BULLETINS are sponsored to the Glory of God in memory of Lloyd Klinedinst's birthday by his wife Joann and family.

THE ETERNAL FLAME is sponsored to the Glory of God by St. Paul's.

SPONSORSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR:

- Radio – December 6, 13, 20 & 27 (\$60 or any portion you desire)
- Flowers – November 29 (1 vase), December 6 (2 vases), 13 (1 vase), 20 (1 vase), and 27 (2 large poinsettias \$35 each) (\$20 per vase) It is the responsibility of the sponsor to take their flowers following worship.
- Communion Bread & Wine – December 13, 20, 27 (\$12)
- Bulletins – December 13 & 27
- Eternal Flame – December 6, 13, 20 & 27 (\$10)

Please contact Sue (swineholt@comcast.net or 717-637-5941) in the church office to reserve your special date.

THE SANCTUARY WILL BE DECORATED for the Advent Season on Saturday, November 28 beginning at 9:00 am. Any volunteers would be welcomed!

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICES ARE PLANNED. WATCH FOR FURTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS.

THANK YOU FOR ALL THE DONATIONS FOR THE THANKSGIVING DINNERS. We packed 65 boxes for the community. *The Evangelism Committee*

CHRISTMAS BLESSING EXPRESS – We are partnering with New Hope Ministries to provide gifts again this Christmas season. There is a table on display, at the pulpit entrance to the sanctuary, with place cards. Each place card has the name of a gift needed. Please choose a place card, purchase the item, and place the unwrapped gift in the box provided by Sunday, December 6. The gifts will be taken to New Hope on Monday, December 7. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP SNIPPET: “*And the king will answer them, ‘Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.’*” – **Matthew 25:40**

When our thankfulness translates into action and service to “the least of these,” we may never fully realize the ripple effects. How might you show gratitude to God in tangible ways that lift up your neighbor in need?

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PRAYER REQUESTS:

Newly hospitalized: Lois Brandt

Hospitalized: Betty Markle

New Additions to the Prayer List: Marie Roller, Dave, Carly, Lester, Barry, Joyce, Michelle, Brian, Melissa, Barbara, Greg

Names to be included on the prayer list should be given to Janet Haack (jmhaack@comcast.net or 717-633-1365). As is always the case, if you have need of pastoral care, please contact Pastor Bob directly or through the church office.

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Thursday – 8:00 am to 4:00 pm

Friday – 8:00 am to 3:00 pm

(Closed 12:00 to 1:00 pm daily for lunch)

(The church office is open by appointment only. Please call before you come. Only one person, other than staff, is allowed in the office at a time.)

SUN., NOVEMBER 22	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Rotation Faith Formation
	10:30 am	Confirmation Class
MON., NOVEMBER 23	6:30 pm	Girl Scouts
THURS., NOVEMBER 26		Happy Thanksgiving
FRI., NOVEMBER 27		Office Closed
SAT., NOVEMBER 28	9:00 am	Decorate Sanctuary
	10:00 am	Grocery Ministry
SUN., NOVEMBER 29	8:30 am	Radio Broadcast
	9:30 am	Worship Service
	9:30 am	Rotation Faith Formation
	10:30 am	Confirmation Class