Community Presbyterian Church



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Welcome to Community Presbyterian Church!

NOVEMBER 22, 2026 CHRIST THE KING SUNDAY 10:00 A.M.

Welcome to this Sacred Time and Holy Place of Worship.

Quote for Meditation: ***"Be kinder than necessary, for everyone you meet is fighting some kind of battle."*** *- J. M. Barry*

GREETING and PASSING OF THE PEACE Elder Nancy Thaiss

ANNOUNCEMENTS Rev. Chris Scrivens

PRELUDE: **"Thanksgiving"** *arr. Loiacono*
Genesis Ringers

GATHERING AROUND THE WORD

***CALL TO WORSHIP:** Elder Nancy Thaiss

One: Eternal God,
you set Jesus Christ to rule over all things,
and made us servants in your kingdom.
By your Spirit empower us to love the unloved,
and to minister to all in need.

All: ***Then at the last bring us to your eternal realm***
where we may worship and adore you
and be welcomed into your everlasting joy;
through Jesus Christ our Lord,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
one God, forever and ever. Amen.

*** Opening Hymn: #336 "We Gather Together"**

PRAYER OF CONFESSION: Elder Nancy Thaiss

Righteous God,
you have crowned Jesus Christ as Lord of all.
We confess that we have not bowed before him,
and are slow to acknowledge his rule.
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 him as ruler of all,
that we may be loyal ambassador
obeying the commands of our Lord Jesus Christ.

SILENT CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON Elder Nancy Thaiss

***Sung response: #582 "Glory to God, Whose Goodness Shines on Me"**

PROCLAIMING THE WORD

CHILDREN'S TIME: Rev. Chris Scrivens

Children will be dismissed to Sunday School following the children's message.

SCRIPTURE LESSONS:

Prophets: **Ezekiel 34:11-16, 20-24 (**OT pg. 756) Elder Nancy Thaiss

Gospel: **Matthew 25:31-46 (**NT pg. 27) Rev. Chris Scrivens

Response:

One: This is the Word of God.

All: ***Thanks be to God!***

SERMON Rev. Chris Scrivens

***HYMN: #265** **"Jesus Shall Reign Where'er the Sun"**

RESPONDING TO THE WORD

CALL FOR THE OFFERING – Elder Nancy Thaiss

OFFERTORY: **"A Thanksgiving Gathering"** *arr. Bob Wayne*

Jubilee Ringers

***HYMN OF DEDICATION: #708** **"We Give Thee But Thine Own"**

PRAYER OF THANKSGIVING Elder Nancy Thaiss

PRAYER REQUESTS Rev. Chris Scrivens

PASTORAL PRAYER and THE LORD'S PRAYER (*debts*) Rev. Chris Scrivens

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 and the power and the glory forever. Amen.

FOLLOWING THE WORD INTO THE WORLD

***CLOSING HYMN: #384** **"Soon and Very Soon"**

***BENEDICTION** Rev. Chris Scrivens

CHORAL RESPONSE

**Please rise in body or in Spirit.*

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Participating in today's Worship and Fellowship are . . .

Pastor:	Reverend Christopher W. Scrivens
Lay Assistant:	Elder Nancy Thaiss
Director of Family Ministries:	Elder Christy Hemmes
Music Director:	Matt Petrozelli
Guest Organist:	Vicki Kopacka
Ushers:	Elder and Derek and Karen Wilson
Fellowship & Refreshments	the Hontz Family in honor of Ron's 85th Birthday.

Welcome to our Worship Service! Our regular congregants are asked to introduce themselves to any visitors they don't know and then introduce them to the congregation. Everyone is invited to join us in fellowship and refreshments in Fellowship Center following the worship service this morning.

Our lovely Thanksgiving arrangement was created by Stony Hill Gardens, the Davis Family.

Scripture readings for Next Sunday: Isaiah 64:1-9; *and Psalm 80:1-7, 17-19;* Corinthians 1:3-9;
Mark 13:24-37

Lay Assistant for Next Week: David Rittenhouse

Ushers for Next Week: The Ash Family (also lighting advent candle)

Coffee Hour Servers for Next Week: Sophie and Emily Meseck

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