# First Trinitarian Congregational Church of Scituate, UCC



# Christ The King Sunday November 23, 2025

Whoever you are and wherever you are on life's journey, you are welcome here.

The **altar flowers** today are given by
The Chime Choir
In memory of all our loved ones who have gone before us and in honor of the congregation of FTCC

Following Worship everyone is invited to Rice Hall for **Fellowship and Refreshments**. Coffee hour is hosted by The Tibbetts and Varrasso Families

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Ministers to the World, *The Congregation;*Jen Christianson, *Pastor*William Richter, *Director of Music;* Zandy Shepherd, *Music Assistant*Jody DeCourcey, *Admin;* Scott Holmes, *Sexton* 

\* Invites those who are able to stand / **Bold** indicates that the congregation speaks

#### TIME FOR REVERENT REFLECTION

Upon entering, you are encouraged to sit quietly and enjoy the prelude

#### **PRELUDE**

#### **GREETING & ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pastor Jen

INTROIT

CALL TO WORSHIP Nancy Pasko, Liturgist

Liturgist: God is our refuge and strength,

People: A very present help in trouble.

Liturgist: Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change,

People: Though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea,

Liturgist: Though its waters roar and foam,

**People:** Though the mountains tremble with its tumult.

Liturgist: The LORD of hosts is with us;

People: The God of Jacob is our refuge. Let us worship God!

— Psalm 46

OPENING HYMN O Worship the King

#10, all verses

PRAYER OF INVOCATION & LORD'S PRAYER Nancy, Liturgist

All:

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. Then at 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 taught us to pray...

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.

#### **ANTHEM**

### Sing to the Lord of Harvest

by Healey Willan

#### CHILDREN ARE INVITED FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL

**SCRIPTURE** *Jeremiah 23:1-6* Nancy, *Liturgist* 

#### **Restoration after Exile**

23 Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the Lord. <sup>2</sup> Therefore, thus says the Lord, the God of Israel, concerning the shepherds who shepherd my people: It is you who have scattered my flock, and have driven them away, and you have not attended to them. So I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the Lord. <sup>3</sup> Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock out of all the lands where I have driven them, and I will bring them back to their fold, and they shall be fruitful and multiply. <sup>4</sup> I will raise up shepherds over them who will shepherd them, and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the Lord.

#### The Righteous Branch of David

<sup>5</sup> The days are surely coming, says the Lord, when I will raise up for David a right-eous Branch, and he shall reign as king and deal wisely, and shall execute justice and righteousness in the land. <sup>6</sup> In his days Judah will be saved and Israel will live in safety. And this is the name by which he will be called: 'The Lord is our right-eousness.'

Leader: This is the word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

**SERMON** The One True King Pastor Jen

\* **SERMON HYMN** Our Great Savior #89, verses 1,2 &4

**JOYS AND CONCERNS** 

**SILENT PRAYER** 

**PASTORAL PRAYER** 

CALL TO GIVING

**OFFERTORY ANTHEM** 

Rejoice in the Lord Always

by George Rathbone

#### \* SONG OF PRAISE

#### Doxology

Praise God from whom all blessings flow; Praise him, all creatures here below; Praise him above, ye heavenly host; Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost.

\* PRAYER OF DEDICATION

Pastor Ien

\*CLOSING HYMN

Lead On, O King Eternal

#483, all verses

\* BENEDICTION

\* BENEDICTION RESPONSE

**POSTLUDE** 





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#### 10. O Worship the King

1 O worship the King, all glorious above, And gratefully sing His wonderful love; Our Shield and Defender, the Ancient of Days, Pavilioned in splendor, and girded with praise.

2 O tell of His might O sing of His grace, Whose robe is the light whose canopy space! His chariots of wrath the deep thunderclouds form, And dark is His path on the wings of the storm.

3 Thy bountiful care what tongue can recite? It breathes in the air, it shines in the light, It streams from the hills, it descends to the plain, And sweetly distills in the dew and the rain.

4 Frail children of dust, and feeble as frail, In Thee do we trust, nor find Thee to fail: Thy mercies how tender, how firm to the end; Our Maker, Defender, Redeemer, and Friend.

Amen.

## 89. Our Great Savior

1 Jesus! what a friend for sinners! Jesus! lover of my soul; Friends may fail me, foes assail me, He, my Savior, makes me whole.

#### Refrain:

Hallelujah! what a Savior! Hallelujah! what a Friend! Saving, helping, keeping, loving, He is with me to the end.

2 Jesus! what a Strength in weakness! Let me hide myself in Him; Tempted, tried, and sometimes failing, He, my Strength, my vict'ry wins. [Refrain]

3 Jesus! what a Help in sorrow! While the billows o'er me roll, Even when my heart is breaking, He, my Comfort, helps my soul. [Refrain]

4 Jesus! what a Guide and Keeper! While the tempest still is high, Storms about me, night o'ertakes me, He, my Pilot, hears my cry. [Refrain]

5 Jesus! I do now receive Him, More than all in Him I find, He hath granted me forgiveness,



TEXT: Ernest W. Shurtleff

MUSIC: Henry T. Smart; Last stanza harmonization by Bruce Greer

A higher setting may be found at No. 226

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