

CALVIN PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH

November 20, 2022

Revised Common Lectionary Readings
Reign of Christ Sunday
Year C

[Jeremiah 23:1-6](#)
[Psalm 46](#)
[Colossians 1:11-20](#)
[Luke 23:33-43](#)

Prelude

Welcome and Opening Prayer

Call to Worship

Psalm 46:1-3, 9-10

God is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble.

Therefore we will not fear, though the earth should change, though the mountains shake in the heart of the sea;

He makes wars cease to the end of the earth; he breaks the bow, and shatters the spear, he burns the shields with fire.

Be still, for the LORD is God. The LORD is exalted among the nations, the LORD is exalted in the earth.

***Hymn** (*The Presbyterian Hymnal* #555)

Now Thank We All Our God
Mariette Siczewicz, Sign Language

Confession

Jeremiah 23:1-4

"Woe to the shepherds who destroy and scatter the sheep of my pasture! says the LORD. Therefore ...I will attend to you for your evil doings, says the LORD. Then I myself will gather the remnant of my flock...and I will bring them back to their fold...and they shall not fear any longer, or be dismayed, nor shall any be missing, says the LORD."

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 live like your Kingdom is not in, among, or near us; and so we give allegiance to the powers of this world, and fail to be governed by justice and love. In so doing, we, too, have harmed and scattered your people.

In your mercy, forgive us. Raise us to acclaim Jesus as ruler of all, that we may be loyal ambassadors of his Kingdom, obeying his commands, and walking in his ways.

(Silent Confession)

adapted from *Book of Common Worship (PCUSA)*

Assurance, *Gloria Patri, *Passing of the Peace

Revelation 17:14

"...and the Lamb will overcome, for he is Lord of lords and King of kings, and those with him are called and chosen and faithful."

In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. **Thanks be to God.**

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost.

As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen, amen.

May the Peace of Christ be with you. **And also with you.**

Time with the Children

Scripture and Sermon

Jesus Is Lord.

Colossians 1:11-20

*Hymn (*The Presbyterian Hymnal* #151)

Crown Him With Many Crowns

Stewardship Dedication

Affirmation of Faith

excerpt from the *Confession of 1967*
PC(USA) Book of Confessions, 9.53-56

God's redeeming work in Jesus Christ embraces the whole of human life: social and cultural, economic and political, scientific and technological, individual and corporate...it is the will of God that God's purpose for human life shall be fulfilled under the rule of Christ...

Biblical visions and images of the rule of Christ, such as a heavenly city, a father's house, a new heaven and earth, a marriage feast, and an unending day culminate in the image of the kingdom. The kingdom represents the triumph of God of all that resists God's will and disrupts God's creation. Already God's reign is present as a ferment in the world, stirring hope in all people and preparing the world to receive its ultimate judgment and redemption.

With an urgency born of this hope, the Church applies itself to present tasks and strives for a better world. It does not identify limited progress with the kingdom of God on earth, nor does it despair in the face of disappointment and defeat. In steadfast hope, the Church looks beyond all partial achievement to the final triumph of God.

"Now to him who by the power at work in us is able to do far more abundantly than all we ask or think, to him be glory in the Church and in Christ Jesus to all generations, forever and ever. Amen."

Litany of Dedication

Lord and Creator of all, the earth is yours, the world and all who live in it. And in your Son, the firstborn of all creation, all things in heaven and on earth were created, all things have been created through him and for him.

In this, you have entrusted us with gifts and resources— financial resources and resources of time, talent, energy, love, and imagination— and called us to be good stewards. With thanks and praise we respond to your call.

We bring these gifts you have given, presenting them and ourselves as living sacrifices.

We offer ourselves: our lives, our hopes, our imaginings, our dollars and our hours. We commit ourselves to work for Your world, to love and serve wherever You call.

We ask your blessing on this, the ministry of your church, as we seek to follow you with heart, soul, mind, and strength.

Bless also these gifts, our investment in the future to which you have called us, that they may serve You and Your Kingdom.

May these gifts and commitments be a sign of our gratitude and our thanksgiving, that by giving we may become more generous, more hopeful, and more loving; for we share in the inheritance of the saints in light in the measure by which we share of it.

May these our gifts be a sign of our trust that Jesus is Lord; that in him all the fullness of God was pleased to dwell, and through him God was pleased to reconcile all things on earth and in heaven. For this, and all Your blessings, we give you thanks and praise, O God. Amen.

Offertory and *Doxology

He Is Exalted
Calvin Choir

Please prayerfully consider the time, talent, and resources you have been given, and how they can be offered back to God in love and service. If this includes making a financial offering to the church, you may mail your offering in to the church office, [or use our online giving option.](#)

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. Amen.

Prayer of Dedication

Announcements

Prayers of the People and the Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed by 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.

***Hymn** (*The Presbyterian Hymnal #428*)

We Give Thee But Thine Own

***Charge and Benediction**

Colossians 1:11-12

***Congregational Response (Sung)**

Now Thank We All Our God (v. 3)

*All praise and thanks to God, Who reigns in highest heaven,
To Father and to Son and Spirit now be given.
The one eternal God, Whom heaven and earth adore,
The God who was and is, and shall be evermore.*

Postlude

**Please stand in body or in spirit*