

Beulah Presbyterian Church
November 20, 2022
Christ the King Sunday

GATHERING IN GOD'S NAME

PRELUDE

“Variations on an Original Theme (Nimrod)”

Robert Lau

GREETINGS, WELCOME and ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Lord be with you. **And also with you.**

This is the day the Lord has made. **Let us rejoice and be glad in it.**

***CALL TO WORSHIP and OPENING PRAYER**

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for God has looked favorably on God's people and redeemed them.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for God has called us God's own beloved and called each of us by name.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel,

for God has blessed God's creation and called us to worship.

Blessed be the Lord God of Israel!

Let us pray:

God of all times and all places, be with us in this time and this place. Just as you have spoken to your people through prophets and poets, we pray that we might hear the Word you speak to us today. Just as you have spoken to your people through deeds and miracles, we pray that we might have eyes to see the Word you speak to us today. Just as you have called your people to act in the midst of your creation, we pray that we might have feet to walk and hands to reach out; for the sake of your Son, in whose name we pray. Amen.

***Hymn**

“Come, Thou Almighty King”

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CALL TO RECONCILIATION

With humble hearts, trusting in grace,

let us confess our sins before God and one another.

PRAYER OF CONFESSION

Holy God, we confess that we have neglected to declare Jesus the king and model for our lives. We have been quick to call on others to follow the ways of Christ yet slow to do the same. We have been bold in demanding generosity, mercy, and forgiveness yet quiet when it comes to offering inclusion, love, and compassion. Forgive us, O God. Restore in us, yet again, the commitment to be more Christlike in word, in deed, and in spirit. Amen.

(Silence is observed.)

**Please stand in body or in spirit.*

ASSURANCE OF PARDON

All things, in heaven and on earth, are reconciled to God in Jesus Christ.

Forgiveness is ours through faith in the Lord, in whom God was pleased to dwell.

Know that you are forgiven, and be at peace.

***PASSING THE PEACE**

Since God has forgiven us in Christ, let us forgive one another.

The peace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you all. **And also with you.**

CHOIR ANTHEM

“All Praise the God of Harvest”

Williams/Lantz III

ENCOUNTERING GOD’S WORD

A TIME WITH THE CHILDREN

*(Children are invited to participate in activities at the Playground area
in front of the pulpit for the remainder of the service.)*

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION

Lord, open our hearts to receive your Word; by your Spirit free us from the power of darkness and show to us the inheritance of the saints of light. **Amen.**

SCRIPTURE

1st Lesson Colossians 1:9-20

2nd Lesson Luke 23:33-43

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

SERMON

“Behold, Your King!”

Pastor Bill Owens

RESPONDING TO GOD’S WORD

***AFFIRMATION OF FAITH (The Apostles’ Creed)**

**I believe in God, the Father almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ his only Son, our Lord; who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried; he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead. I believe in the Holy Ghost; the holy catholic church; the communion of saints; the forgiveness of sins; the resurrection of the body; and the life everlasting.
Amen.**

***Hymn**

“Alleluia! Sing to Jesus”

#260

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE and 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 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

RESPONDING TO GOD'S GENEROSITY

Call for the Offering

With gratitude, let us offer ourselves and our gifts to God.

Offertory

***Celebrating God's Generosity**

Hymn #606

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

***Prayer of Thanksgiving and Dedication**

Almighty God, receive our offering for the sake of Christ our Lord. Make us worthy stewards of your gifts and generous citizens of the kingdom of your Son, Jesus Christ, through whom we pray. Amen.

GOING IN GOD'S NAME

***Hymn**

"Lord, You Give the Great Commission"

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***CHARGE AND BLESSING**

Go out into the world in peace,

declaring Christ the king and ruler over all creation.

Go out into the world with courage,

**supporting the ways he gives light to those who sit in darkness
and guides our feet in the way of peace.**

And now may the holy triune God, the visible and invisible, guide your feet,
strengthen your hands and fortify your heart this day and evermore.

In the name of the Creator, Sustainer, and Redeemer.

Amen.

***POSTLUDE**

"HOLY MANNA"

arr. Mark Hayes

Go in Peace

A special word of thanks to all those who helped make this worship service possible.

It is good to be together!

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Remember in Prayer

Rebecca Kueber, Rev. Don Seeger, Joel Tackett

All those who are caregivers, all those affected by tragic world events and

Jake Mohn, Dylan Brooks, Jeffrey Schmidt, William Bland,

and all Service Personnel and their families.

Welcome! We warmly greet all who have come to worship God.

We are so glad that you are here. We hope that joining us for worship today will nurture your heart and transform your mind. Here at Beulah our mission is transforming lives through the love of Jesus Christ – that simple and that challenging. We realize we need each other and commit to pray for each other. We reach out in love and compassion to a world in need, and we know we are a work in progress. If you are new to Beulah, we hope you will join us again and consider attending any of our mission, fellowship, and education opportunities. God's peace to you today.

Membership ~ If you have any questions about membership, please call the church office at 502-239-3231 or email carol@beulahpres.org.

Learn more by visiting us on our website at www.beulahpres.org, and on our Facebook page at Beulah Presbyterian Church.

Assisting in worship ~ Pastor Bill Owens; Liturgist Pam Wessel; Music Director/Accompanist Kim Karchenes; Sound Crew, Brent Dellacoletta and Jim Harris.

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Electronic Devices ~ In the hustle and bustle of getting ourselves ready for church it is easy to forget to turn off our cell phones. We offer this gentle reminder to please power off cell phones and other electronic devices so that the worship service is not disrupted by them.

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