

Bethany Presbyterian, Johnstown, PA
MORNING WORSHIP November 21st, 2021
Christ the King/Reign of Christ

CALL TO WORSHIP **

L: We have chosen to be here, where God remembers us.

P: God comes to us, the One who was and is and is to come.

L: Like leaves skipping over the carpet of grass:

P: God comes to us, the One who was and is and is to come.

L: Like the first glimpses of the sun peeking over the horizon:

P: God comes to us, the One who was and is and is to come.

L: Like the moon lighting our way on a cloudless, autumn night:

P: God comes to us, the One who was and is and is to come.

HYMN "All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name" #97

CALL TO RECONCILIATION**

While there are many with power in our world - power to hurt us, power to hire or fire us, power to control us - only God has the power to forgive us and make us new people. Let us confess how we fear the power of the world, and welcome the power of God's grace.

UNISON PRAYER OF CONFESSION**

The choices we make, Mighty God, reveal who we are. Choosing the lies of the world, your Word has not been on our lips. Choosing independent and isolated lives, we do not reflect your Spirit in our actions towards others. Choosing to exalt the powerful of our day, we are unable to follow the One whose weakness gives us life. Forgive us, God who became weak for our sake. Do not turn your face from us, but help us to face ourselves honestly. Free us from our captivity, so we may faithfully follow Jesus Christ, our King, our Lord, our Savior.

SILENT PRAYER OF CONFESSION

ASSURANCE OF PARDON**

L: Shout for joy, children of God! The God who was and is and is to come loves you, forgives you, and renews you.

P: God's Spirit rests upon us, grace and peace are the gifts of our loving God.

L: Friends, Believe the Good News

ALL: In Jesus Christ we are forgiven. Amen

GLORIA PATRI #623

CHURCH NEWS

THE PASSING OF THE PEACE

(Please greet your neighbor with a virtual hug or handshake or wave saying "The peace of Christ be with you")

REDEDICATION OF SELF AND SUBSTANCE

Offertory

Doxology

#625

Prayer of Dedication**

As we offer our gifts in this moment to you, Holy God, we pray that they might be used to bring hope, to bring healing, to bring new life to all your people. In Jesus' name, we pray. Amen.

LESSONS FROM THE SCRIPTURES

Old Testament	2 Samuel 23:1-7	p.286
New Testament	Revelation 1:4b-8	p.1072
Gospel Lesson	John 18:33-37	p.943

Message Denise Ann Todero, CP

AFFIRMATION OF FAITH "THE APOSTLES' CREED"

***HYMN "Rejoice, the Lord is King" #228**

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE

L: Hear our prayers, O Lord. **P: And let our cry come unto Thee.**

L: Let us bless the Lord! **P: Thanks be to God.**

PASTORAL PRAYER AND THE LORD'S PRAYER

HYMN "Crown Him with Many Crowns" #234

BENEDICTION/SENDING**

L: Let us go forth to serve God's children in weakness,

P: so others might find the strength to live.

L: Let us go forth as powerless as Jesus,

P: to empower others with hope.

L: Let us go forth with our arms full of the Spirit's peace,

P: so the world might be healed of all its brokenness.

CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE "God Be With You"

God be with you till we meet again;
By His counsels guide, uphold you,
With His sheep securely fold you;
God be with you till we meet again

God be with you till we meet again;
'Neath His wings protecting hide you,
Daily manna still provide you;
God be with you till we meet again.

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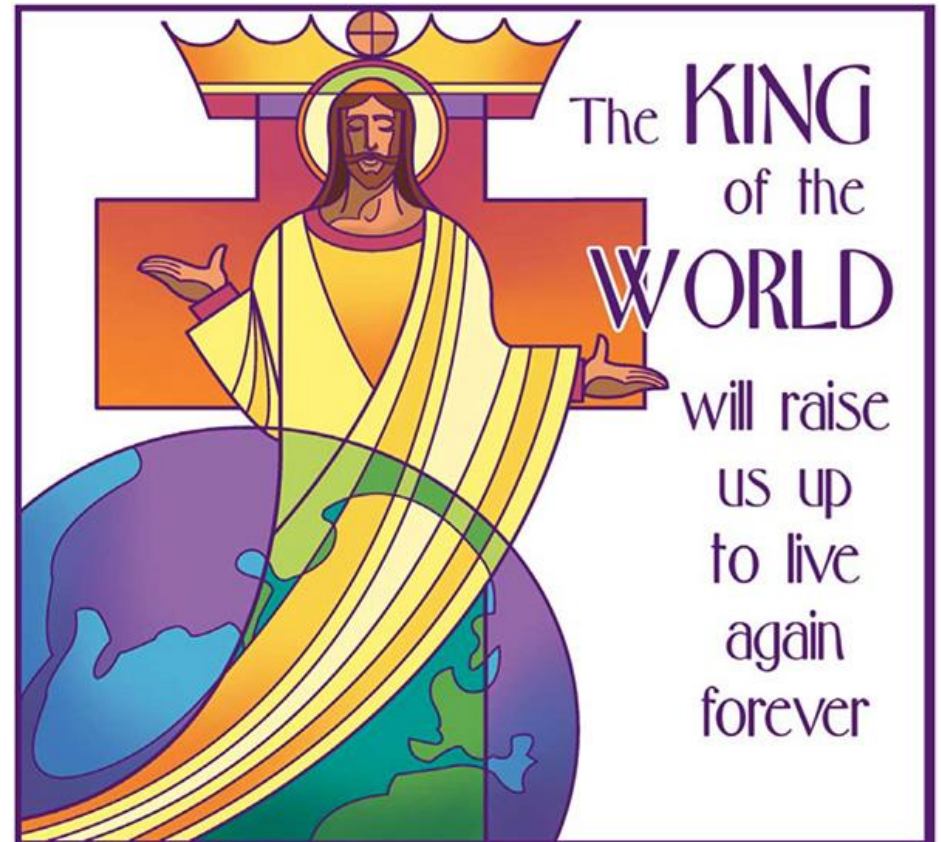
A holy Christian life is made up of a number of small things:

Little words, not eloquent sermons;
Little deeds, not miracles of battle,
Or one great, heroic deed of martyrdom;

The little constant sunbeam, not the lightning.

The avoidance of little evils,
Little inconsistencies, little weaknesses,
Little follies and indiscretions,
And little indulgences of the flesh made up.

The beauty of a holy life.....Andrew Bonar



Offering: 11/14
Attendance: 16
Local 453.00
Benev. 31.00
Improv. 26.00
Total 510.00

Sunday November 21st
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.
Session Meeting Afterwards

Sunday November 28th
 Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.

Session will meet today after Morning Worship.

We Will Decorate The Sanctuary for the Advent Season on Sunday November 28th after Morning Worship. All are invited to come and help.

Donations for the West End Food Pantry can be placed in the bins by the Blaine St. entrance. All non-perishable food items are appreciated, especially as we approach the holiday season.

Flower and Bulletin Sponsorships are available for all Sundays in 2021. The cost to sponsor flowers for a week is \$25 and the cost to sponsor the bulletin for a week is \$10. If you sponsor both the flowers and bulletin for a week the cost is \$30. Sign up on the back bulletin board at the church or by clicking the link on the church website.



Concerns: Keep the following people in your prayers...	
Pastor Denise	Ruby Porch
Don Bennett	Christine Paratore
Phyllis Pfuhl	David Hayduk
Harry Thiel	Jessie Rager
Lois Henry	Susie Keefer
Ray & Dawna Sheets	Bob & Kathy Wilks
Al & Linda Hockenberry	Chloe Kern
Buzz & Jeanne Lehman	Jim Kuntz
Bob & Marie Whorl	All Shut- Ins
Bev Holbay	All in Nursing Homes
Nora Dixon	All First Responders
Mark Todero	All Service Men & Women
Diane Brewer	All Healthcare Professionals

To Place Announcements Or Concerns List Names in the bulletin contact Ed Sheets at 539-3495 or email at bethanyjtown@hotmail.com or contact Pastor Denise at 479-2382 or email her at datodero@atlanticbb.net.
Please do not leave them on the church answering machine.

In Case of Emergency, please call Pastor Denise at 479-2382 or cell 248-8174. Do not depend on the hospital contacting the church or the pastor.

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