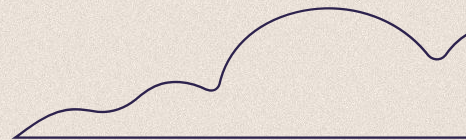


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O for a Thousand Tongues to Sing





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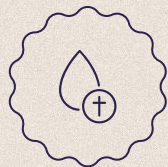
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God bless
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WELCOME

Celebrating Christ the King Sunday



OPENING PRAYER

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open and all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hidden, we come before Your throne of grace, acknowledging You as Triune—one in essence and substance: Creator, Redeemer, and Sustainer.

On this Christ the King Sunday, we give glory, honor, and praise to You, celebrating Christ as Lord of creation and King of our lives. As we prepare for Thanksgiving, we lift grateful hearts for Your mercy and provision. Grant us grace to quiet our distractions, that we may worship You in spirit and in truth. We pray in the mighty and holy name of Jesus Christ. Amen.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

<i>Task</i>	<i>Description</i>	<i>Date</i>
<i>Morning devotions</i>	Morning devotions	Monday-Friday, 6 AM, via Zoom
<i>Midweek Service</i>	Midweek service	Thursday, 7:30 PM, via YouTube
<i>Church App</i>	Daily Scripture reading	upcc.app
<i>Advent Study</i>	The Dawn of Redeeming Grace	Daily Devotions, beginning November 30
<i>Advent Workshops</i>	The purpose of the hands-on Advent workshops is to invite families and individuals into a creative, participatory way of preparing for the season.	Saturdays in December, beginning 12/6, from 11:00 - 1:30pm

RESPONSIVE CALL TO WORSHIP

Who is our refuge and strength, a very present help in trouble?

Jesus Christ, the Lord of hosts, is our stronghold and our strength.

When nations rage and kingdoms tremble, whose voice speaks peace?

Jesus Christ, our King, reigns forever and ever.

Who makes wars cease, breaking the bow and shattering the spear?

Jesus Christ, the Prince of Peace, rules with justice; His kingdom shall have no end.

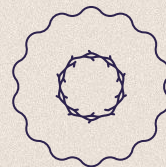
Who says, "Be still, and know that I am God; I will be exalted among the nations"?

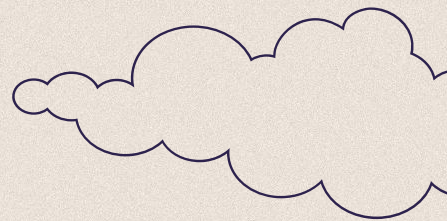
Jesus Christ, the Lord of all, we exalt His name together.

So, whom shall we trust, and to whom shall we give glory?

Jesus Christ, our King, our refuge, and our strength.

All: Praise the Lord! Hallelujah!

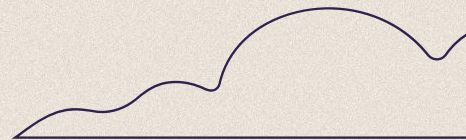




OPENING HYMN



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All Hail the Power of Jesus' Name



UNISON SCRIPTURE READING

9For this reason, since the day we heard about you, we have not stopped praying for you and asking God to fill you with the knowledge of His will in all spiritual wisdom and understanding, 10so that you may walk in a manner worthy of the Lord and may please Him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, growing in the knowledge of God, 11being strengthened with all power according to His glorious might so that you may have full endurance and patience, and joyfully 12giving thanks to the Father, who has qualified you to share in the inheritance of the saints in the light. 13He has rescued us from the dominion of darkness and brought us into the kingdom of His beloved Son, 14in whom we have redemption—the forgiveness of sins





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; 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.





UNISON SCRIPTURE READING

The Son is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. 16For in Him all things were created, things in heaven and on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions or rulers or authorities. All things were created through Him and for Him. 17He is before all things, and in Him all things hold together. 18And He is the head of the body, the church; He is the beginning and firstborn from among the dead, so that in all things He may have preeminence. 19For God was pleased to have all His fullness dwell in Him, 20and through Him to reconcile to Himself all things, whether things on earth or things in heaven, by making peace through the blood of His cross.





Let there
be light

CALL TO --- *PRAYER*



Responsive Prayer

Almighty God, You sent Christ to reign over all creation, yet we confess that we often serve other masters.

Forgive us, Lord. We bow before the false kingdoms of pride, fear, and self-interest.

Christ calls us to follow Him in justice and mercy, yet we confess that we turn away from the needs of our neighbors.

Forgive us, Lord. We cling to comfort and ignore the cries of the oppressed.

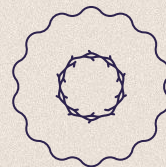
Christ is our refuge and strength, yet we confess that we trust in our own power and plans.

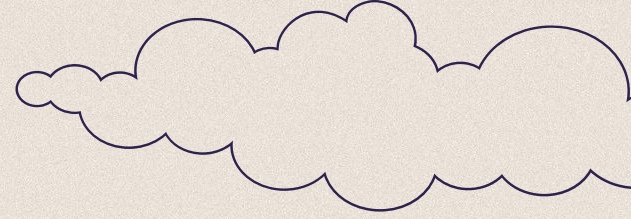
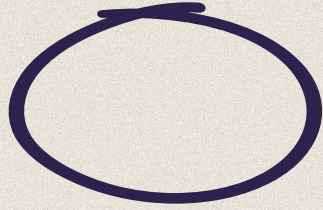
Forgive us, Lord. Teach us to be still and know that You are God.

Christ is King of peace, yet we confess that our words and actions sow division.

Forgive us, Lord. Make us instruments of Your reconciliation.

We pray in the mighty and holy name of the Lord Jesus Christ. Amen.



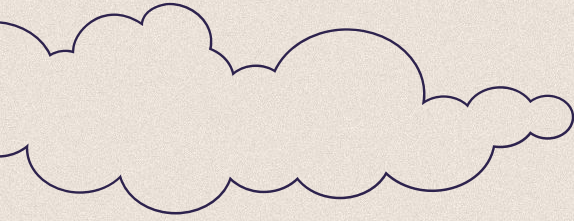


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PASSING THE PEACE

GLORIA PATRI

PRAYER FOR ILLUMINATION



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MORNING MEDITATION

CALL TO DISCIPLESHIP

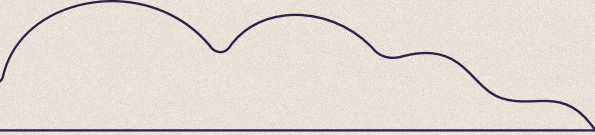
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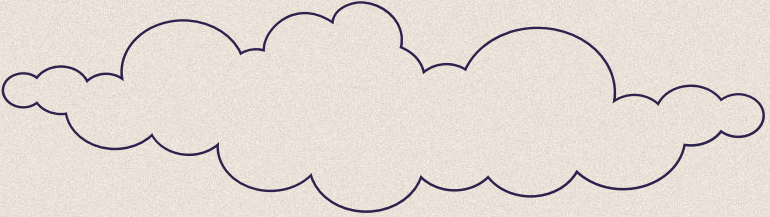


Pastoral Prayer





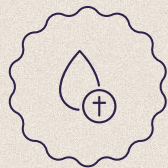
Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name.
Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in
heaven. Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us
our debts as we forgive our debtors. And lead us away
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the glory forever. Amen.



— ***THE LORD'S***
PRAYER —



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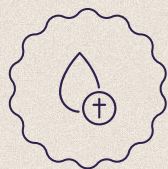
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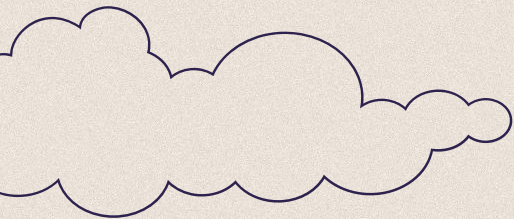
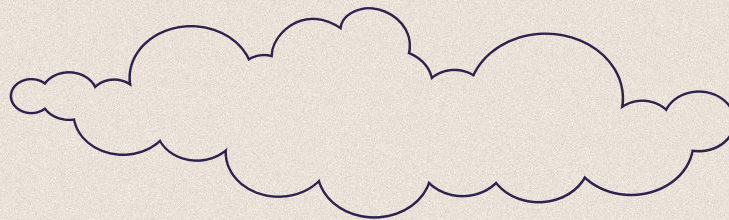
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CONGREGATIONAL RESPONSE

Amen

**Faith can move
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